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PRODUCTION OF HUMAN HEMOGLOBIN IN TRANSGENIC PIGS

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1. INTRODUCTION

The present invention relates to the use of transgenic pigs for the production of human hemoglobin. The transgenic pigs of the invention may be used as an efficient and economical source of cell-free human hemoglobin that may be used for transfusions and other medical applications in humans.

2. BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

2.1. HEMOGLOBIN

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Oxygen absorbed through the lungs is carried by hemoglobin in red blood cells for delivery to tissues throughout the body. At high oxygen tensions, such as those found in the proximity of the lungs, oxygen binds to hemoglobin, but is released in areas of low oxygen tension, where it is needed.

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Each hemoglobin molecule consists of two alpha globin and two beta globin subunits. Each subunit, in turn, is noncovalently associated with an iron-containing heme group capable of carrying an oxygen molecule. Thus, each hemoglobin tetramer is capable of binding four molecules of oxygen. The subunits work together in switching between two conformational states to facilitate uptake and release of oxygen at the lungs and tissues, respectively. This effect is commonly referred to as heme-heme interaction or cooperativity.

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The hemoglobins of many animals are able to interact with biologic effector molecules that can further enhance oxygen binding and release. This enhancement is manifested in changes which affect the allosteric equilibrium between the two conformational

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states of hemoglobin. For example, human and pig hemoglobin can bind 2, 3 diphosphoglycerate (2,3 DPG), which influences the equilibrium between the two conformational states of the tetramer and has the net effect of lowering the overall affinity for oxygen at the tissue level. As a result, 2,3-DPG increases the efficiency of oxygen delivery to the tissues.

2.2. GLOBIN GENE EXPRESSION

Hemoglobin protein is expressed in a tissue specific manner in red blood cells where it accounts for approximately ninety percent of total cellular protein. Thus, red blood cells, which have lost their nucleus and all but a minimal number of organelles, are effectively membrane-enclosed packets of hemoglobin dedicated to oxygen transfer.

Humans and various other species produce different types of hemoglobin during embryonic, fetal, and adult developmental periods. Therefore, the factors that influence globin gene expression must be able to achieve tissue specific control, quantitative control, and developmentally regulated control of globin expression.

Human globin genes are found in clusters on chromosome 16 for alpha (α) globin and chromosome 11 for beta (β) globin. The human beta globin gene cluster consists of about 50 kb of DNA that includes one embryonic gene encoding epsilon (ϵ) globin, two fetal genes encoding gamma (γ) G and gamma A globin, and two adult genes encoding delta (δ) and beta (β) globin, in that order (Fritsch et al., 1980, Cell 19:959-972).

It has been found that DNA sequences both upstream and downstream of the β globin translation initiation site are involved in the regulation of β

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globin gene expression (Wright et al., 1984, Cell 38:263). In particular, a series of four Dnase I super hypersensitive sites (now referred to as the locus control region, or LCR) located about 50 kilobases upstream of the human beta globin gene are extremely important in eliciting properly regulated beta globin-locus expression (Tuan et al., 1985, Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. U.S.A. 83:1359-1363; PCT Patent Application WO 8901517 by Grosveld; Behringer et al., 1989, Science 245:971-973; Enver et al., 1989, Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. U.S.A. 86:7033-7037; Hanscombe et al., 1989, Genes Dev. 3:1572-1581; Van Assendelft et al., 1989, Cell 56:967-977; Grosveld et al., 1987, Cell 51:975-985).

2.3. THE NEED FOR A BLOOD SUBSTITUTE

Recently, the molecular aspects of globin gene expression have met with even greater interest as researchers have attempted to use genetic engineering to produce a synthetic blood that would avoid the pitfalls of donor generated blood. In 1988, between 12 million and 14 million units of blood were used in the United States alone (Andrews, February 18, 1990, New York Times), an enormous volume precariously dependent on volunteer blood donations. About 5 percent of donated blood is infected by hepatitis virus (Id.) and, although screening procedures for HIV infection are generally effective, the prospect of contracting transfusion related A.I.D.S. remains a much feared possibility. Furthermore, transfused blood must be compatible with the blood type of the transfusion recipient; the donated blood supply may be unable to provide transfusions to individuals with rare blood types. In contrast, hemoglobin produced by genetic engineering would not require blood type

matching, would be virus-free, and would be available in potentially unlimited amounts. Several research groups have explored the possibility of expressing hemoglobin in microorganisms. For example, see International Application No. PCT/US88/01534 by Hoffman and Nagai, which presents, in working examples, production of human globin protein in E. coli.

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2.4. TRANSGENIC ANIMALS

A transgenic animal is a non-human animal containing at least one foreign gene, called a transgene, in its genetic material. Preferably, the transgene is contained in the animal's germ line such that it can be transmitted to the animal's offspring. A number of techniques may be used to introduce the transgene into an animal's genetic material, including, but not limited to, microinjection of the transgene into pronuclei of fertilized eggs and manipulation of embryonic stem cells (U.S. Patent No. 4,873,191 by Wagner and Hoppe; Palmiter and Brinster, 1986, Ann. Rev. Genet. 20:465-499; French Patent Application 2593827 published August 7, 1987). Transgenic animals may carry the transgene in all their cells or may be genetically mosaic.

Although the majority of studies have involved transgenic mice, other species of transgenic animal have also been produced, such as rabbits, sheep, pigs (Hammer et al., 1985, Nature 315:680-683) and chickens (Salter et al., 1987, Virology 157:236-240). Transgenic animals are currently being developed to serve as bioreactors for the production of useful pharmaceutical compounds (Van Brunt, 1988, Bio/Technology 6:1149-1154; Wilmut et al., 1988, New Scientist (July 7 issue) pp. 56-59).

Methods of expressing recombinant protein via transgenic livestock have an important theoretical advantage over protein production in recombinant bacteria and yeast; namely, the ability to produce large, complex proteins in which post-translational modifications, including glycosylation, phosphorylation, subunit assembly, etc. are critical for the activity of the molecule.

In practice, however, the creation of transgenic livestock has proved problematic. Not only is it technically difficult to produce transgenic embryos, but mature transgenic animals that produce significant quantities of recombinant protein may prove inviable. In pigs in particular, the experience has been that pigs carrying a growth hormone encoding transgene (the only transgene introduced into pigs prior to the present invention) suffered from a number of health problems, including severe arthritis, lack of coordination in their rear legs, susceptibility to stress, anoestrus in gilts and lack of libido in boars (Wilmut et al., supra). This is in contrast to transgenic mice carrying a growth hormone transgene, which appeared to be healthy (Palmiter et al., 1982, Nature 300:611-615). Thus, prior to the present invention, healthy transgenic pigs (which efficiently express their transgene(s)) had not been produced.

2.5. EXPRESSION OF GLOBIN GENES IN TRANSGENIC ANIMALS

Transgenic mice carrying human globin transgenes have been used in studying the molecular biology of globin gene expression. A hybrid mouse/human adult beta globin gene was described by Magram et al. in 1985 (Nature 315:338-340). Kollias et al. then reported regulated expression of human gamma-A, beta, and hybrid beta/gamma globin genes in

transgenic mice (1986, Cell 46:89-94). Transgenic mice expressing human fetal gamma globin were studied by Enver et al. (1989, Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. U.S.A. 86:7033-7037) and Constantoulakis et al. (1991, Blood 77:1326-1333). Autonomous developmental control of human embryonic globin gene switching in transgenic mice was observed by Raich et al. (1990, Science 250:1147-1149).

10 Transgenic mouse models for a variety of disorders of hemoglobin or hemoglobin expression have been developed, including sickle cell disease (Rubin et al., 1988, Am. J. Human Genet. 42:585-591; Greaves et al., 1990, Nature 343:183-185; Ryan et al., 1990, 15 Science 247:566-568; Rubin et al., 1991, J. Clin. Invest. 87:639-647); thalassemia (Anderson et al., 1985, Ann. New York Acad. Sci. (USA) 445:445-451; Sorenson et al., 1990, Blood 75:1333-1336); and hereditary persistence of fetal hemoglobin (Tanaka et 20 al., 1990, Ann. New York Acad. Sci. (USA) 612:167-178).

Concurrent expression of human alpha and beta globin has led to the production of human hemoglobin in transgenic mice (Behringer et al., 1989, 25 Science 245:971-973; Townes et al., 1989, Prog. Clin. Biol. Res. 316A:47-61; Hanscombe et al., 1989, Genes Dev. 3:1572-1581). It was observed by Hanscombe et al. (supra) that transgenic fetuses with high copy numbers of a transgene encoding alpha but not beta 30 globin exhibited severe anemia and died prior to birth. Using a construct with both human alpha and beta globin genes under the control of the beta globin LCR, live mice with low copy numbers were obtained (Id.). Metabolic labeling experiments showed balanced 35 mouse globin synthesis, but imbalanced human globin

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synthesis, with an alpha/beta biosynthetic ratio of about 0.6 (Id.).

5 3. SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

The present invention relates to the use of transgenic pigs for the production of human hemoglobin and/or human globin. It is based, at least in part, on the discovery that transgenic pigs may be generated
10 that express human hemoglobin in their erythrocytes and are healthy, suffering no deleterious effects as a result of heterologous hemoglobin production.

In particular embodiments, the present invention provides for transgenic pigs that express
15 human globin genes. Such animals may be used as a particularly efficient and economical source of human hemoglobin, in light of (i) the relatively short periods of gestation and sexual maturation in pigs; (ii) the size and frequency of litters, (iii) the
20 relatively large size of the pig which provides proportionately large yields of hemoglobin; and (iv) functional similarities between pig and human hemoglobins in the regulation of oxygen binding affinity which enables the transgenic pigs to remain
25 healthy in the presence of high levels of human hemoglobin.

The present invention also provides for recombinant nucleic acid constructs that may be used to generate transgenic pigs. In specific, nonlimiting
30 embodiments, such constructs (1) place the human alpha and beta globin genes under the same promoter; (ii) comprise the pig adult beta globin gene regulatory region, comprising the promoter or the 3' region of the pig beta globin gene; and/or (iii) comprise the
35 human globin genes under the control of the porcine locus control region (LCR).

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The present invention also provides for constructs comprising an optimized human β -globin gene in which said human β -globin gene is genetically engineered to be similar to the pig β -globin gene, but without altering the amino acid sequence of the encoded wild-type human β -globin. Such constructs may increase the level of human β -globin in transgenic pigs by affecting mRNA structure, stability or rate of translation.

In an additional embodiment, the present invention provides for a hybrid hemoglobin that comprises human α globin and pig β globin. The whole blood from transgenic pigs expressing this hybrid hemoglobin appears to exhibit a P_{50} that is advantageously higher than that of native human or pig blood.

The present invention also provides for a method of producing human hemoglobin comprising (i) introducing a human alpha globin and a human beta globin gene, under the control of a suitable promoter or promoters, into the genetic material of a pig so as to create a transgenic pig that expresses human hemoglobin in at least some of its red blood cells; (ii) collecting red blood cells from the transgenic pig; (iii) releasing the contents of the collected red blood cells; and (iv) subjecting the released contents of the red blood cells to a purification procedure that substantially separates human hemoglobin from pig hemoglobin. In a preferred embodiment of the invention, human hemoglobin may be separated from pig hemoglobin by DEAE anion exchange column chromatography.

4. DESCRIPTION OF THE FIGURES

Figure 1. Recombinant nucleic acid constructs.

- A. Construct $\alpha\alpha\beta$ (the "116 construct"); B. Construct $\alpha\beta\beta$ (the "185" construct); C. Construct $\beta\beta\alpha$ (the "290" construct); D. Construct $\epsilon\beta\beta\alpha$; E. Construct $\beta\epsilon\alpha\beta\beta$; F. Construct $\alpha\beta\beta$ carrying a $\beta 108$ Asn \rightarrow Asp mutation (the "hemoglobin Yoshizuka construct"); G. Construct $\alpha\beta\beta$ carrying a $\beta 108$ Asn \rightarrow Lys mutation (the "hemoglobin Presbyterian construct"); H. Construct $\alpha\beta\beta(\Delta\alpha)$ coinjected with LCR α (the "285" construct); I. Construct $\alpha\beta\beta$ carrying an $\alpha 134$ Thr \rightarrow Cys mutation (the "227" construct); J. Construct $\alpha\beta\beta$ carrying an $\alpha 104$ Cys \rightarrow Ser mutation (the "227" construct), a $\beta 93$ Cys \rightarrow Ala mutation, and a $\beta 112$ Cys \rightarrow Val mutation (the "228" construct); K. Construct $\alpha\beta\delta$ (the "263" construct); and L. Construct $\alpha\beta\delta(\Delta\alpha)$ coinjected with LCR α (the "274" construct); M. Construct LCR α coinjected with LCR $\epsilon\beta$ (the "240" construct); N. Construct $\alpha\beta\beta$ carrying a $\beta 61$ Lys \rightarrow Met mutation (the "Hemoglobin Bologna" construct); O. Construct LCR $\epsilon\alpha\beta$ (the "318" construct); P. Construct LCR $\alpha\epsilon\beta$ (the "319" construct); Q. Construct LCR $\alpha\epsilon(\beta\beta\beta\beta)\beta$ (the "329" construct); R. Construct LCR $\alpha\epsilon(\beta\beta\beta\beta)\beta$ (the "339" construct); S. Construct $\alpha\beta\beta$ carrying an $\alpha 75$ Asp \rightarrow Cys mutation (the "340" construct); T. Construct $\alpha\beta\beta$ carrying an $\alpha 42$ Tyr \rightarrow Arg mutation (the "341" construct); U. Construct LCR $\epsilon\beta\alpha\alpha$ (the "343" construct); V. Construct LCR $\epsilon\beta\alpha$ (the "347" construct); W. Construct $\alpha\beta\beta$ carrying an $\alpha 42$ Tyr \rightarrow Lys mutation; X. Construct $\alpha\beta\beta$ carrying an $\alpha 42$ Tyr \rightarrow Arg mutation; and a $\beta 99$ Asp \rightarrow Glu mutation; Y. Construct $\alpha\beta\beta$ carrying an $\alpha 42$ Tyr \rightarrow Lys mutation; and a $\beta 99$ Asp \rightarrow Glu mutation.

Figure 2. Transgenic pig.

Figure 3. Demonstration of human hemoglobin

expression in transgenic pigs. A. Isoelectric
5 focusing gel analysis. B. Triton-acid urea gel
of hemolysates of red blood cells representing
human blood (lane 1); blood from transgenic pig
12-1 (lane 2), 9-3 (lane 3), and 6-3 (lane 4);
and pig blood (lane 5) shows under-expression of
10 human β globin relative to human α globin in the
transgenic animals.

Figure 4. Separation of human hemoglobin and pig

hemoglobin by DEAE chromatography. A. Hemolyzed
mixture of human and pig red blood cells; B.
15 Hemolysate of red blood cells collected from
transgenic pig 6-3. C. Human and mouse
hemoglobin do not separate by DEAE chromatography
under these conditions. D. Isoelectric focusing
of human hemoglobin purified from pig hemoglobin.

20 Figure 5. Isoelectric focussing gel of reassociated
pig hemoglobin (lane 1); reassociated pig/human
hemoglobin mixture (lanes 2 and 4); reassociated
human hemoglobin (lane 3); and transgenic pig
hemoglobin (lane 5).

25 Figure 6. Separation of human hemoglobin by QCPI
chromatography.

Figure 7. Oxygen affinity of transgenic hemoglobin.

Figure 8. DNA sequence (SEQ. ID NO: 1) of the pig

adult beta globin gene regulatory region,
30 including the promoter region. Sequence
extending to 869 base pairs upstream of the ATG
initiator codon (boxed) of the pig beta globin
gene is shown. The position of the initiation of
mRNA, the cap site, is indicated by an arrow.

35 The sequences corresponding to GATA transcription
factor binding sites are underlined.

- Figure 9. Comparison of pig (SEQ. ID NO: 1) (top) and human (SEQ. ID NO's: 2 & 3) (bottom) beta globin regulatory sequences. Differences in the two sequences are marked by asterisks.
- Figure 10. Graph depicting the percent homology between pig and human adult beta globin gene regulatory sequences, with base pair distance from the initiator codon mapped on the abscissa. A comparison of mouse and human sequences is also shown (dotted line with error bar).
- Figure 11. Map of plasmid pgem5/Pig β Pr(k) which contains the DNA sequence depicted in Figure 8.
- Figure 12. Representation of the 339 and 354 cassettes for the production of human hemoglobin in transgenic pigs.
- Figure 13. Map of plasmid pSaf/Pig ϵ (k), containing the pig ϵ gene.
- Figure 14. Representation of the 426 and 427 expression cassettes for the production of ϵ^{pig} β^{human} and α^{human} hemoglobins in transgenic pigs.
- Figure 15. Iso-electric focussing gel of hemoglobin produced by transgenic pig 70-3, which carries the 339 construct, and by transgenic pig 6-3, which carries the 116 construct. Human hemoglobin is run as a standard.
- Figure 16. Map of plasmid pig 3' β containing the 3' end of the pig beta globin gene.
- Figure 17. Transgenic pigs obtained from construct "339" (See Figure 1R). Levels of human hemoglobin expression and copy number are shown.
- Figure 18. Isoelectric focussing gel of hemoglobin levels in transgenic pigs obtained using construct "339".
- Figure 19. Isoelectric focussing gel demonstrating levels of hemoglobin expression in representative

transgene positive 38-4 offspring carrying the "185" construct (or $\alpha\beta$ construct; see Figure 1B).

5 Figure 20. Molecular modeling of hybrid human α /pig β and human α /human β hemoglobin molecules. β subunits are in blue, α subunits in red. Above the middle helix of the β human (blue) one can see a gap in the green contour (see arrow). In
10 the hybrid this gap is filled in. This difference is due to a change at $\beta 112$ Cys--->Val where Valine contributes to greater hydrophobic interactions.

Figure 21. Molecular modeling demonstrating the
15 differences at the $\alpha_1\beta_1$ interface between a β globin containing Cys at position 112 (the yellow molecule) and a β globin with Val at position 112 (the white molecule). Cys is yellow, Val is white and the opposing α interface is red. Val
20 is flexible. One arm of its branch can easily move for a nearly perfect fit against the α subunit residues. The yellow Cys is slightly further allowing for a small gap (see arrow). Biosyn's standard default Van der Waal's distance
25 was used.

Figure 22. Purification of Hb Presbyterian from transgenic pig hemosylate.

Figure 23. Characterization of purified Hb Presbyterian by HPLC showing separation of the
30 heme moiety, pig α globin ("p alpha"), human beta globin ("h beta"), human alpha globin ("h alpha") and pig beta globin ("p beta").

Figure 24. Oxygen binding curve for Hb Presbyterian.

Figure 25. Purification of Hb Yoshizuka from
35 transgenic pig hemolysate.

Figure 26. Porcine β LCR clones. (A) Restriction

analysis of lambda phage clone Phage L and Phage H. The insert shows the most probable arrangement of porcine β globin genes. The location of the probe used to screen the library is shown. (B) Comparison of the distances of human LCRs from human ξ genes with porcine LCRs from porcine ξ genes.

Figure 27. (A) PH1-TA1 (SEQ. ID NO: 4): Sequence of 3' end of the plasmid PH1. This is part of porcine LCR I. (B) Comparison of PH1-TA1 with human β -globin region on chromosome 11 (SEQ. ID NO: 5). The human sequence (from 12499-12901) is part of LCR I.

Figure 28. Joined plcr2: The 477 bp sequence of 5' end of plasmid PH1 was joined with 534 bp sequence of 3' end of plasmid PH2. This is part of porcine LCR II.

Figure 29. Comparison of joined plcr2 (SEQ. ID NO: 6) with human β -globin region on chromosome 11 (SEQ. ID NO's: 7, 8 & 9). The human sequence (from 7276-8017) is part of LCR II.

Figure 30. PH2-T7. (A) Sequence of 5' end of plasmid PH2-T7 (SEQ. ID NO: 10). (B) Comparison of PH2-T7 with human β -globin region on chromosome 11 (SEQ. ID NO: 11). The human sequence (from 1450-1487) is part of LCR III.

Figure 31. Schematic of optimized β -globin gene including important restriction sites used for construction. Promoter region, Intervening sequences I and II (IVSI, IVSII) as well as poly-A and 3'UTR region are pig sequences. Exon 1, 2 and 3 encode human β -globin with codons optimized for use in the pig system.

Figure 32. Comparison of coding sequences of

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5 optimized, human and pig β -globin genes showing percent homology between the optimized and human sequences and the human and pig sequences. Lines in the optimized sequence indicate codon changes from the human sequence.

Figure 33. Construct 505. This construct contains the human locus control region (LCR), the human α -globin gene driven by its own promoter, the human ξ -globin gene also driven by its own promoter, and the optimized β -globin gene which has the optimized coding region, includes the porcine introns, poly A and 3'UTR and is driven by the porcine promoter. The gene order in this construct is LCR $\alpha\xi\beta^*$ (where * signifies optimized β gene).

Figure 34. Construct 515. This construct contains the human locus control region, the human α -globin gene driven by its own promoter, the human ξ -gene also driven by its own promoter, and the optimized β -globin gene which has the optimized coding region, includes the porcine introns, poly A and 3'UTR and is driven by the porcine promoter. The gene order in this construct is LCR $\xi\beta\alpha\alpha$ (where * signifies optimized β gene).

Figure 35. Comparison of human (SEQ. ID NO's: 12, 13 & 14) and pig (SEQ. ID NO's: 15, 16 & 17) β -globin coding sequences. The figure is divided into Exons 1, 2 and 3. Differences are signified by small letters in the pig (bottom) sequence. Codons with changes are underlined.

Figure 36. Comparison of human (SEQ. ID NO's: 12, 13 & 14) and optimized (SEQ. ID NO's: 18, 20 & 22) β -globin coding sequences. The figure is divided into Exons 1, 2 and 3. Differences are signified

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by small letters in the optimized (bottom) sequence. Codons with changes are underlined.

5 Figure 37. Comparison of optimized (SEQ. ID NO's: 18, 20 & 22) and pig (SEQ. ID NO's: 15, 16 & 17) β -globin coding sequences. Figure is divided into Exons 1, 2 and 3. Differences are signified by small letters in the pig (bottom) sequence. Codons with changes are underlined.

10 Figure 38. Coding sequences (SEQ. ID NO's: 18, 20 & 22) and amino acid sequence (SEQ. ID NO's: 19, 21 & 23) of optimized β -globin gene. Three dashes are placed between Exons.

15 Figure 39. Comparison of human (SEQ. ID NO's: 24, 25 & 26) and optimized (SEQ. ID NO's: 19, 21 & 23) β -globin amino acid sequence indicating that they are identical.

5. DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION

20 The present invention provides for a method of producing human hemoglobin that utilizes transgenic pigs, novel globin-encoding nucleic acid constructs, and transgenic pigs that express human hemoglobin. For purposes of clarity of description, and not by way
25 of limitation, the detailed description of the invention is divided into the following subsections:

- (i) preparation of globin gene constructs;
- (ii) preparation of transgenic pigs;
- (iii) preparation of human hemoglobin and
30 its separation from pig hemoglobin;
and
- (iv) preparation of human/pig hybrid
hemoglobin.

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5.1. PREPARATION OF GLOBIN GENE CONSTRUCTS

The present invention provides for a method of producing human globin and/or hemoglobin in transgenic pigs. Human hemoglobin is defined herein to refer to hemoglobin formed by globin chains encoded by human globin genes (including alpha, beta, delta, gamma, epsilon and zeta genes) or variants thereof which are naturally occurring or the products of genetic engineering. Such variants are at least about ninety percent homologous in amino acid sequence to a naturally occurring human hemoglobin. In preferred embodiments, the human hemoglobin of the invention comprises a human alpha globin and a human beta globin chain. The human hemoglobin of the invention comprises at least two different globin chains, but may comprise more than two chains, to form, for example, a tetrameric molecule, octameric molecule, etc. In preferred embodiments of the invention, human hemoglobin consists of two human alpha globin chains and two human beta globin chains. As discussed infra, the present invention also provides for hybrid hemoglobins comprising human α globin and pig β globin.

According to particular embodiments of the present invention, at least one human globin gene, such as a human alpha and/or a human beta globin gene, under the control of a suitable promoter or promoters, is inserted into the genetic material of a pig so as to create a transgenic pig that carries human globin in at least some of its red blood cells. This requires the preparation of appropriate recombinant nucleic acid sequences. In preferred embodiments of the invention, both human α and human β genes are expressed. In an alternative embodiment, only human α globin or human β globin is expressed. In further

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embodiments, human embryonic or fetal globin genes are expressed or are used as developmental expression regulators of adult genes.

5 Human alpha and beta globin genes may be obtained from publicly available clones, e.g. as described in Swanson et al., 1992, Bio/Technol. 10:557-559. Nucleic acid sequences encoding human alpha and beta globin proteins may be introduced into
10 an animal via two different species of recombinant constructs, one which encodes human alpha globin, the other encoding human beta globin; alternatively, and preferably, both alpha and beta-encoding sequences may be comprised in the same recombinant construct. The
15 pig epsilon globin gene is contained in plasmid psaf/pig ϵ (k) (Figure 13), deposited with the ATCC and assigned accession number 75373.

A suitable promoter, according to the invention, is a promoter which can direct
20 transcription of human alpha and/or beta globin genes in red blood cells. Such a promoter is preferably selectively active in erythroid cells. This would include, but is not limited to, a globin gene promoter, such as the human alpha, beta, delta,
25 epsilon or zeta promoters, or a globin promoter from another species. It may, for example, be useful to utilize pig globin promoter sequences. For example, as discussed in Section 10, infra, the use of the endogenous pig β globin gene control region, as
30 contained in plasmid Pgem5/Pig β pr(K), deposited with the ATCC and assigned accession number 75371 and having the sequence set forth in Figure 8, has been shown to operate particularly efficiently. The human alpha and beta globin genes may be placed under the
35 control of different promoters, but, since it has been inferred that vastly different levels of globin chain

production may result in lethality, it may be preferable to place the human alpha and beta globin genes under the control of the same promoter sequence.

5 In order to avoid chain imbalance and/or titration of transcription factors due to constitutive β -globin promoter activity in an inappropriate cell type, it is desirable to design a construct which leads to coordinate expression of human alpha and beta globin

10 genes at the same time in development and at quantitatively similar levels.

In one particular, non-limiting embodiment of the invention, a construct comprising the $\alpha\alpha\beta$ construct (also termed the "116" construct; Swanson et

15 al., 1992, Bio/Technol. 10:557-559; see Figure 1A) may be utilized. Although this construct, when present as a transgene at high copy number, has resulted in deleterious effects in mice, it has been used to produce healthy transgenic pigs (see Example Section

20 6, infra).

In another particular, non-limiting embodiment of the invention, a construct comprising the $\alpha\beta\beta$ sequence (also termed the "185" construct; see Figure 1B) may be used. Such a construct has the

25 advantage of placing both alpha and beta globin-encoding sequences under the control of the same promoter (the alpha globin promoter).

In another particular, non-limiting embodiment of the invention, a construct coding for

30 di-alpha globin like polypeptides may be introduced to form transgenic pigs that produce human hemoglobins with decreased dimerization and an increased half-life (WO Patent 9013645).

In yet another particular, non-limiting

35 embodiment of the invention, a construct comprising the human adult alpha globin and epsilon globin gene,

the pig beta globin gene control region and the human beta globin gene (the "339 construct, see Figure 1R) may be used.

5 Furthermore, the incorporation of a human or pig epsilon globin gene into the construct may facilitate the production of high hemoglobin levels. The pig epsilon globin gene may permit correct developmental regulation of the adult β globin gene.
10 High levels of expression of introduced adult alpha globin gene(s) may result in a chain imbalance problem during intrauterine development of a transgenic pig embryo (because an adult beta globin gene in the construct would not yet be expressed) thereby
15 compromising the viability of the embryo. By providing high levels of embryonic globins during development, the viability of such embryos may be improved. The pig epsilon globin gene, as contained in plasmid Psaf/Pige, deposited with the ATCC and
20 assigned accession number 75373, is shown in Figure 13.

The present invention, in further specific embodiments, provides for (i) the construct $\beta\alpha$, in which the human alpha and beta globin genes are driven
25 by separate copies of the human beta globin promoter (Figure 1C); (ii) the $\epsilon\beta\alpha$ construct, which comprises human embryonic genes zeta and epsilon under the control of the epsilon promoter and both alpha and beta genes under the control of the beta promoter
30 (Figure 1D); (iii) the $\zeta\epsilon\alpha\beta$ construct, which comprises human embryonic genes zeta and epsilon under the control of the zeta promoter and both alpha and beta genes under the control of the alpha promoter (Figure 1E); (iv) the $\alpha\beta$ construct carrying a
35 mutation that results in an aspartic acid residue (rather than an asparagine residue) at amino acid

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number 108 of β globin protein, to produce hemoglobin Yoshizuka (Figure 1F, construct "294"); (v) the $\alpha\beta$ construct carrying a mutation that results in a lysine
5 residue (rather than an asparagine residue) at amino acid number 108 of β -globin protein, to produce hemoglobin Presbyterian (Figure 1G, construct "293"); (vi) the $\alpha\beta(\Delta\alpha)$ construct, coinjected with LCR α which comprises the human β -globin gene under the
10 control of the human α -globin promoter and a separate nucleic acid fragment comprising the human α -globin gene under its own promoter (Figure 1H); (vii) the $\alpha\beta$ construct carrying a mutation that results in a cysteine residue (rather than a threonine residue) at
15 amino acid number 134 of α -globin protein (Figure 1I); (viii) the $\alpha\beta$ construct carrying a mutation that results in a serine residue (rather than a cysteine residue) at amino acid number 104 of the α -globin protein, an alanine residue (rather than a cysteine
20 residue) at amino acid number 93 of the β -globin protein and a valine residue (rather than a cysteine residue) at amino acid number 112 of the β -globin protein (Figure 1J); (ix) the $\alpha\beta\delta$ construct, which comprises the human adult α -globin promoter under its
25 own promoter and the human δ -globin gene under the control of the human adult α -globin promoter (Fig. 1K); (x) Construct $\alpha\beta\delta(\Delta\alpha)$ coinjected with LCR α , which comprises the human δ -globin gene under the control of the human α -globin promoter and a separate
30 nucleic acid fragment comprising the human α -globin gene under its own promoter (Fig. 1L); (xi) Construct LCR α coinjected with LCR $\epsilon\beta$, which comprises the human α -globin gene under the control of its own promoter and a separate nucleic acid fragment
35 comprising the human embryonic ϵ -globin gene and the adult β -globin gene under the control of their own

promoters (Fig. 1M); (xii) the $\alpha\beta$ construct carrying a mutation that results in a methionine residue (rather than a lysine residue) at amino acid number 61 of the α -globin protein (Fig. 1N); (xiii) the $\epsilon\alpha\beta$ construct, which comprises the human embryonic epsilon gene, the human adult alpha globin gene and the human adult beta globin gene linked in tandem from 5'- to 3' (Fig. 1O); (xiv) the $\alpha\epsilon\beta$ construct, which comprises the human adult alpha-globin gene, the human embryonic epsilon globin gene and the human adult beta globin gene linked in tandem from 5'- to 3' (Fig. 1P); (xv) the $\alpha\alpha\epsilon\beta$ construct, which comprises two copies of the human adult alpha-globin gene, the human embryonic epsilon globin gene and the human adult beta globin gene linked in tandem from 5'- to 3' (Fig. 1Q); (xvi) the $\alpha(\epsilon^{pig}\beta p)\beta$ construct, which comprises the human adult alpha-globin gene, the human embryonic epsilon globin gene and the human adult beta globin gene under the control of the endogenous porcine adult beta globin promoter all linked in tandem from 5'- to 3' (Fig. 1R); (xvii) the $\alpha\beta$ construct carrying a mutation that results in a cysteine residue (rather than an aspartic acid residue) at amino acid number 75 of the α -globin protein (Fig. 1S); (xviii) the $\alpha\beta$ construct carrying a mutation that results in an arginine residue (rather than a tyrosine residue) at amino acid number 42 at the α -globin protein (Fig. 1T); (xvix) the LCR $\epsilon\beta\alpha\alpha$ construct, which comprises the human embryonic epsilon globin gene, the human adult beta globin gene and two copies of the human adult alpha-globin gene linked in tandem from 5'- to 3' (Fig. 1U); (xx) the LCR $\epsilon\beta\alpha$ construct, which comprises the human embryonic epsilon globin gene, the human adult beta globin gene and the human adult alpha-globin gene linked in tandem from 5'- to 3'

(Fig. 1V); (xxi) the $\alpha\beta$ construct carrying a mutation that results in a lysine residue (rather than a tyrosine residue) at amino acid number 42 of the α -globin protein (Fig. 1W); (xxii) the $\alpha\beta$ construct carrying a mutation that results in an arginine residue (rather than a tyrosine residue) at amino acid number 42 at the α -globin protein and a glutamic acid residue (rather than an aspartic acid residue) at amino acid number 99 of the β -globin protein (Fig. 1X); (xxiii) the $\alpha\beta$ construct carrying a mutation that results in a lysine residue (rather than a tyrosine residue) at amino acid number 42 of the α -globin protein and a glutamic acid residue (rather than an aspartic acid residue) at amino acid number 99 of the β -globin protein (Fig. 1Y); and (xxiv) the $\alpha^{\text{pig}\epsilon}(\text{pig}\beta\text{p})\beta$ construct comprising the pig epsilon globin gene and beta globin control region (constructs 426 and 427, Figure 14).

In transgenic pigs expressing human hemoglobin three types of hemoglobin dimers are detectable: pig α /pig β , human α /human β , and hybrid human α /pig β . In certain embodiments of the invention, it may be desirable to decrease the amount of hybrid hemoglobin. Accordingly, the molecular basis for the formation of hybrid hemoglobin has been investigated using molecular modeling studies. Based on the information derived from these studies, the human alpha and beta globin structures can be modified to increase the level of human α /human β dimers (See Section 11.), so that in further embodiments of the invention, constructs comprising the $\alpha\beta$ sequence may be modified to code for α or β globin proteins carrying amino acid changes that will lead to increases in the level of human α /human β hemoglobin dimers in transgenic pigs. The present invention,

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provides for constructs which encode human α globin and human β globin carrying one or more of the following mutations in the α globin molecule: (1) a
5 Thr at position 30 instead of Glu; (ii) a Tyr at position 36 instead of Phe; (iii) a Phe instead of Leu at position 106; (iv) a Ser or Cys instead of Val at position 107; and/or (v) a Cys instead of Ala at position 111. In specific embodiments, the construct
10 carrying such mutation(s) is the $\alpha\beta$ construct. The present invention, in further embodiments, provides for constructs which encode human α globin and human β globin carrying one or more of the following mutations in the β globin molecule: (1) a Leu instead of Val at
15 position 33; (ii) a Val or Ile instead of Cys at position 112; (iii) a Val or Leu instead of Ala at position at position 115; (iv) a His instead of Gly at position 119; (v) a Met instead of Pro at position 125; (vi) an Ile instead of Ala at position 128;
20 and/or (vii) a Glu instead of Gln at position 131; and/or (viii) a Glu instead of Gln at position 131. In specific embodiments, the construct carrying the mutation(s) is the $\alpha\beta$ construct.

In further embodiments it may be desirable
25 to modify the human β -globin gene to optimize expression in transgenic pigs. For example, the human β -globin gene, from the promoter region through the coding sequence and into the polyadenylation site and 3' untranslated region, may be engineered to be
30 similar to the pig β -globin gene, but without altering the amino acid sequence from that of the authentic wild-type human β -globin. Such an optimized gene is contained in the plasmid designated pGEM3 β^* $\Delta 3'$, deposited with the American Type Culture Collection
35 (ATCC) and assigned accession number 75520. Constructs which contain the optimized human β -globin

gene, may be used to increase the levels of β -globin expressed in transgenic animals (constructs 505 and 515, Figures 34 and 35 respectively).

5 In further embodiments the porcine LCR region as depicted in Figure 26A and contained in plasmids designated pPH1 and pPH2 (deposited with the ATCC and assigned accession numbers 75518 and 75519), may be used in plasmid constructs to enhance the
10 expression of globin proteins in transgenic pigs. The porcine LCR may also be useful in the expression of non-globin proteins in pig erythrocytes.

 In further embodiments it may be desirable to include, in constructs, the untranslated 3' end of
15 the pig beta globin gene as contained in plasmid pPig3' β (Figure 16) as deposited with the ATCC and assigned accession number 75372. (see, for example, construct 354 in Figure 12 and Figures 426 and 427 in Figure 14). Such constructs may also be useful in the
20 expression of non-globin protein in pig erythrocytes.

 In further embodiments, the pig beta globin control region depicted in Figures 8 and 9 may be used in constructs that encode non-globin proteins for the expression of said proteins in transgenic pig or other
25 non-human erythrocytes.

 The recombinant nucleic acid constructs described above may be inserted into any suitable plasmid, bacteriophage, or viral vector for amplification, and may thereby be propagated using
30 methods known in the art, such as those described in Maniatis et al., 1989, Molecular Cloning: A Laboratory Manual, Cold Spring Harbor, N.Y. In the working examples presented below, the pUC vector (Yanish-Perron et al., 1985, Gene 103-119) was utilized.

35 The present invention further provides for isolated and purified nucleic acids comprising the pig

adult beta globin promoter regulatory region, the pig 3' beta globin region, and the pig epsilon globin gene as comprised, respectively, in plasmids

- 5 pGem5/Pig β pr(K) (ATCC accession no. 75371), pPig3' β (ATCC accession no. 75372), and Psaf/pig ϵ (k) (ATCC accession no. 75373), respectively.

Constructs may desirably be linearized for preparation of transgenic pigs. Vector sequence may
10 desirably be removed.

5.2. PREPARATION OF TRANSGENIC PIGS

The recombinant constructs described above may be used to produce a transgenic pig by any method
15 known in the art, including but not limited to, microinjection, embryonic stem (ES) cell manipulation, electroporation, cell gun, transfection, transduction, retroviral infection, etc. Species of constructs may be introduced individually or in groups of two or more
20 types of construct.

According to a preferred specific embodiment of the invention, a transgenic pig may be produced by the methods as set forth in Example Section 6, infra. Briefly, estrus may be synchronized in sexually mature
25 gilts (>7 months of age) by feeding an orally active progestogen (allyl trenbolone, AT: 15 mg/gilt/day) for 12 to 14 days. On the last day of AT feeding all gilts may be given an intramuscular injection (IM) of prostaglandin F_{2 α} (Lutalyse: 10 mg/injection) at 0800
30 and 1600 hours. Twenty-four hours after the last day of AT consumption all donor gilts may be administered a single IM injection of pregnant mare serum gonadotropin (PMSG: 1500 IU). Human chorionic gonadotropin (HCG: 750 IU) may be administered to all
35 donors at 80 hours after PMSG.

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Following AT withdrawal, donor and recipient gilts may be checked twice daily for signs of estrus using a mature boar. Donors which exhibited estrus within 36 hours following HCG administration may be bred at 12 and 24 hours after the onset of estrus using artificial and natural (respectively) insemination.

Between 59 and 66 hours after the administration of HCG one- and two-cell ova may be surgically recovered from bred donors using the following procedure. General anesthesia may be induced by administering 0.5 mg of acepromazine/kg of bodyweight and 1.3 mg ketamine/kg of bodyweight via a peripheral ear vein. Following anesthetization, the reproductive tract may be exteriorized following a mid-ventral laparotomy. A drawn glass cannula (O.D. 5 mm, length 8 cm) may be inserted into the ostium of the oviduct and anchored to the infundibulum using a single silk (2-0) suture. Ova may be flushed in retrograde fashion by inserting a 20 g needle into the lumen of the oviduct 2 cm anterior to the uterotubal junction. Sterile Dulbecco's phosphate buffered saline (PBS) supplemented with 0.4% bovine serum albumin (BSA) may be infused into the oviduct and flushed toward the glass cannula. The medium may be collected into sterile 17 x 100 mm polystyrene tubes. Flushings may be transferred to 10 x 60 mm petri dishes and searched at lower power (50 x) using a Wild M3 stereomicroscope. All one- and two-cell ova may be washed twice in Brinster's Modified Ova Culture-3 medium (BMOC-3) supplemented with 1.5% BSA and transferred to 50 μ l drops of BMOC-3 medium under oil. Ova may be stored at 38°C under a 90% N₂, 5% O₂, 5% CO₂ atmosphere until microinjection is performed.

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One- and two-cell ova may be placed in a Eppendorf tube (15 ova per tube) containing 1 ml HEPES Medium supplemented with 1.5% BSA and centrifuged for 5 6 minutes at 14000 x g in order to visualize pronuclei in one-cell and nuclei in two-cell ova. Ova may then be transferred to a 5 - 10 μ l drop of HEPES medium under oil on a depression slide. Microinjection may be performed using a Laborlux microscope with 10 Nomarski optics and two Leitz micromanipulators. 10-1700 copies of construct DNA (linearized at a concentration of about 1ng/ μ l of Tris-EDTA buffer) may be injected into one pronuclei in one-cell ova or both nuclei in two-cell ova.

15 Microinjected ova may be returned to microdrops of BMOC-3 medium under oil and maintained at 38°C under a 90% N₂, 5% CO₂, 5% O₂ atmosphere prior to their transfer to suitable recipients. Ova may preferably be transferred within 10 hours of recovery.

20 Only recipients which exhibit estrus on the same day or 24 hours later than the donors may preferably be utilized for embryo transfer. Recipients may be anesthetized as described earlier. Following exteriorization of one oviduct, at least 30 25 injected one-and/or two-cell ova and 4-6 control ova may be transferred in the following manner. The tubing from a 21 g x 3/4 butterfly infusion set may be connected to a 1 cc syringe. The ova and one to two mls of BMOC-3 medium may be aspirated into the tubing.

30 The tubing may then be fed through the ostium of the oviduct until the tip reaches the lower third or isthmus of the oviduct. The ova may be subsequently expelled as the tubing is slowly withdrawn.

The exposed portion of the reproductive 35 tract may be bathed in a sterile 10% glycerol-0.9% saline solution and returned to the body cavity. The

connective tissue encompassing the linea alba, the fat and the skin may be sutured as three separate layers. An uninterrupted Halstead stitch may be used to close the linea alba. The fat and skin may be closed using a simple continuous and mattress stitch, respectively. A topical antibacterial agent (e.g. Furazolidone) may then be administered to the incision area.

Recipients may be penned in groups of about four and fed 1.8 kg of a standard 16% crude protein corn-soybean pelleted ration. Beginning on day 18 (day 0 = onset of estrus), all recipients may be checked daily for signs of estrus using a mature boar. On day 35, pregnancy detection may be performed using ultrasound. On day 107 of gestation recipients may be transferred to the farrowing suite. In order to ensure attendance at farrowing time, farrowing may be induced by the administration of prostaglandin $F_{2\alpha}$ (10 mg/injection) at 0800 and 1400 hours on day 112 of gestation. In all cases, recipients may be expected to farrow within 34 hours following PGF_{2a} administration.

Twenty-four hours after birth, all piglets may be processed, i.e. ears notched, needle teeth clipped, 1 cc of iron dextran administered, etc. A tail biopsy and blood may also be obtained from each pig.

Pigs produced according to this method are described in Example Section 6, *infra*, and are depicted in Figure 2. Such pigs are healthy, do not appear to be anemic, and appear to grow at a rate comparable to that of their non-transgenic littermates. Such pigs may transmit the transgene to their offspring.

Pigs having certain characteristics may be especially useful for the production of human

hemoglobin; such pigs, examples of which follow, represent preferred, non-limiting, specific embodiments of the invention.

5 According to one preferred specific embodiment of the invention, a transgenic pig contains at least twenty copies of a globin transgene.

 According to a second preferred specific embodiment, the P_{50} of whole blood of a transgenic pig
10 according to the invention is increased by at least ten percent over the P_{50} of the whole blood of a comparable non-transgenic pig, taking into consideration factors such as altitude, oxygen concentrations, pregnancy, the presence of mutant
15 hemoglobin, etc. Thus, the present invention provides for a non-pregnant transgenic pig that carries and expresses a human globin transgene in which the P_{50} of whole blood of the transgenic pig is at least ten percent greater than the P_{50} of whole blood of a
20 comparable non-pregnant non-transgenic pig at the same altitude.

 In other preferred specific embodiments, the present invention provides for a transgenic pig in which the amount of human globin produced relative to
25 total hemoglobin is at least two percent, more preferably at least five percent, and most preferably at least ten percent.

 Section 6, infra, describes transgenic pigs which serve as working examples of preferred, non-
30 limiting, specific examples of the invention.

5.3. PREPARATION OF HUMAN HEMOGLOBIN AND ITS SEPARATION FROM PIG HEMOGLOBIN

 The present invention provides for a method
35 for producing human hemoglobin comprising introducing a transgene or transgenes encoding human hemoglobin, such as a human alpha globin and a human beta globin

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gene, under the control of a suitable promoter or promoters, into the genetic material of a pig so as to create a transgenic pig that expresses human
5 hemoglobin in at least some of its blood cells.

The present invention also provides for a method of producing human hemoglobin comprising (i) introducing a human alpha globin and a human beta globin gene, under the control of a suitable promoter
10 or promoters, into the genetic material of a pig so as to create a transgenic pig that expresses human hemoglobin in at least some of its red blood cells; (ii) collecting red blood cells from the transgenic pig; (iii) releasing the contents of the collected red
15 blood cells to form a lysate; (iv) subjecting the lysate of the red blood cells to a purification procedure that substantially separates human hemoglobin from pig hemoglobin; and (v) collecting the fractions that contain purified human hemoglobin.
20 Such fractions may be identified by isoelectric focusing in parallel with appropriate standards. In a preferred embodiment of the invention, human hemoglobin may be separated from pig hemoglobin by DEAE anion exchange column chromatography.

25 In order to prepare human hemoglobin from the transgenic pigs described above, red blood cells are obtained from the pig using any method known in the art. The red blood cells are then lysed using any method, including hemolysis in a hypotonic solution
30 such as distilled water, or using techniques as described in 1981, Methods in Enzymology Vol. 76, and/or tangential flow filtration.

For purposes of ascertaining whether human hemoglobin is being produced by a particular
35 transgenic pig, it may be useful to perform a small-scale electrophoretic analysis of the hemolysate, such

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as, for example, isoelectric focusing using standard techniques.

Alternatively, or for larger scale
5 purification, human hemoglobin may be separated from pig hemoglobin using ion exchange chromatography. Surprisingly, as discussed in Section 7, supra, human hemoglobin was observed to readily separate from pig hemoglobin using ion exchange chromatography whereas
10 mouse hemoglobin and human hemoglobin were not separable by such methods. Any ion exchange resin known in the art or to be developed may be utilized, including, but not limited to, resins comprising diethylaminoethyl, Q-Sepharose, QCPI (I.B.F.) Zephyr,
15 Spherodex, ectiola, carboxymethylcellulose, etc. provided that the resin results in a separation of human and pig hemoglobin comparable to that achieved using DEAE resin.

According to a specific, nonlimiting
20 embodiment of the invention, in order to separate human from pig hemoglobin (including human/pig hemoglobin hybrids) to produce substantially pure human hemoglobin, a hemolysate of transgenic pig red blood cells, prepared as above may be applied to a
25 DEAE anion exchange column equilibrated with 0.2 M glycine buffer at pH 7.8 and washed with 0.2 M glycine pH 7.8/5 Mm NaCl, and may then be eluted with a 5-30 Mm NaCl gradient, or its equivalent (see, for example, Section 9 infra). Surprisingly, despite about 85
30 percent homology between human and pig globin chains, human and pig hemoglobin separates readily upon such treatment, with human hemoglobin eluting earlier than pig hemoglobin. Elution may be monitored by optical density at 405 nm and/or electrophoresis of aliquots
35 taken from serial fractions. Pig hemoglobin, as well as tetrameric hemoglobin composed of heterodimers

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formed between pig and human globin chains, may be separated from human hemoglobin by this method. Human hemoglobin produced in a transgenic pig and separated
5 from pig hemoglobin by this method has an oxygen binding capability similar to that of native human hemoglobin.

According to another specific, non-limiting embodiment of the invention, human hemoglobin may be
10 separated from pig hemoglobin (including human/pig hemoglobin hybrids) using QCPI ion exchange resin as follows:

About 10 mg of hemoglobin prepared from transgenic pig erythrocytes may be diluted in 20ml of
15 Buffer A (Buffer A = 10mM Tris, 20mM Glycine pH 7.5). This 20ml sample may then be loaded at a flow rate of about 5ml/min onto a QCPI column (10 ml) which has been equilibrated with Buffer A. The column may then be washed with 2 volumes of Buffer A, and then with 20
20 column volumes of a 0-50mM NaCl gradient (10 column volumes of Buffer A + 10 column volumes of 10mM Tris, 20mM Glycine, 50mM NaCl pH 7.5) or, alternatively, 6 column volumes of 10mM Tris, 20mM Glycine, 15mM NaCl, pH 7.5, and the O.D.₂₈₀ absorbing material may be
25 collected in fractions to yield the separated hemoglobin, human hemoglobin being identified, for example, by isoelectric focusing using appropriate standards. The QCPI column may be cleaned by elution with 2 column volumes of 10mM Tris, 20mM Glycine, 1M
30 NaCl, pH 7.5.

For certain mutant hemoglobins, it may be desirable to utilize a modified purification procedure. Accordingly, for the separation of Hb Presbyterian from pig Hb, a procedure as described in
35 Example Section 12.1, infra, may be used, and for

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separation of Hb Yoshizuka, a procedure as described in Example Section 12.2, infra, may be used.

5 5.4. PREPARATION OF HUMAN/PIG HYBRID HEMOGLOBIN

 The present invention also provides for essentially purified and isolated human/pig hybrid hemoglobin, in particular human α /pig β hybrid hemoglobin. Pig α /human β hybrid has not been
10 observed to form either in vitro in reassociation experiments or in vivo in transgenic pigs.

 The present invention provides for hybrid hemoglobin and its use as a blood substitute, and for a pharmaceutical composition comprising the
15 essentially purified and isolated human/pig hemoglobin hybrid in a suitable pharmacological carrier.

 Hybrid hemoglobin may be prepared from transgenic pigs, as described herein, and then purified by chromatography, immunoprecipitation, or
20 any other method known to the skilled artisan. The use of isoelectric focusing to separate out hemoglobin hybrid is shown in Figures 3 and 5.

 Alternatively, hybrid hemoglobin may be prepared using nucleic acid constructs that comprise
25 both human and pig globin sequences which may then be expressed in any suitable microorganism, cell, or transgenic animal. For example, a nucleic acid construct that comprises the human α and pig β globin genes under the control of a suitable promoter may be
30 expressed to result in hybrid hemoglobin. As a specific example, human α globin and pig β globin genes, under the control of cytomegalovirus promoter, may be transfected into a mammalian cell such as a COS cell, and hybrid hemoglobin may be harvested from such
35 cells. Alternatively, such constructs may be expressed in yeast or bacteria.

It may be desirable to modify the hemoglobin hybrid so as to render it non-immunogenic, for example, by linkage with polyethylene glycol or by
5 encapsulating the hemoglobin in a membrane, e.g. in a liposome.

6. EXAMPLE: GENERATION OF TRANSGENIC PIGS
THAT PRODUCE HUMAN HEMOGLOBIN

10 6.1. MATERIALS AND METHODS

6.1.1. NUCLEIC ACID CONSTRUCTS

Constructs 116 (the $\alpha\alpha\beta$ construct), 185 (the $\alpha\beta\beta$ construct), 263 (the $\alpha\beta\delta$ construct) 339, 293 and 294 were microinjected into pig ova as set forth below
15 in order to produce transgenic pigs.

6.1.2. PRODUCTION OF TRANSGENIC PIGS

Estrus was synchronized in sexually mature gilts (>7 months of age) by feeding an orally active
20 progestogen (allyl trenbolone, AT: 15 mg/gilt/day) for 12 to 14 days. On the last day of AT feeding all gilts received an intramuscular injection (IM) of prostaglandin $F_{2\alpha}$ (Lutalyse: 10 mg/injection) at 0800 and 1600. Twenty-four hours after the last day of AT
25 consumption all donor gilts received a single IM injection of pregnant mare serum gonadotropin (PMSG: 1500 IU). Human chorionic gonadotropin (HCG: 750 IU) was administered to all donors at 80 hours after PMSG.

Following AT withdrawal, donor and recipient
30 gilts were checked twice daily for signs of estrus using a mature boar. Donors which exhibited estrus within 36 hours following HCG administration were bred at 12 and 24 hours after the onset of estrus using artificial and natural (respectively) insemination.

35 Between 59 and 66 hours after the administration of HCG, one- and two-cell ova were surgically recovered from bred donors using the

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following procedure. General anesthesia was induced by administering 0.5 mg of acepromazine/kg of bodyweight and 1.3 mg ketamine/kg of bodyweight via a peripheral ear vein. Following anesthetization, the reproductive tract was exteriorized following a mid-ventral laparotomy. A drawn glass cannula (O.D. 5 mm, length 8 cm) was inserted into the ostium of the oviduct and anchored to the infundibulum using a single silk (2-0) suture. Ova were flushed in retrograde fashion by inserting a 20 g needle into the lumen of the oviduct 2 cm anterior to the uterotubal junction. Sterile Dulbecco's phosphate buffered saline (PBS) supplemented with 0.4% bovine serum albumin (BSA) was infused into the oviduct and flushed toward the glass cannula. The medium was collected into sterile 17 x 100 mm polystyrene tubes. Flushings were transferred to 10 x 60 mm petri dishes and searched at lower power (50 x) using a Wild M3 stereomicroscope. All one- and two-cell ova were washed twice in Brinster's Modified Ova Culture-3 medium (BMOC-3) supplemented with 1.5% BSA and transferred to 50 μ l drops of BMOC-3 medium under oil. Ova were stored at 38°C under a 90% N₂, 5% O₂, 5% CO₂ atmosphere until microinjection was performed.

One- and two-cell ova were placed in an Eppendorf tube (15 ova per tube) containing 1 ml HEPES Medium supplemented with 1.5% BSA and centrifuged for 6 minutes at 14000 x g in order to visualize pronuclei in one-cell and nuclei in two-cell ova. Ova were then transferred to a 5 -10 μ l drop of HEPES medium under oil on a depression slide. Microinjection was performed using a Laborlux microscope with Nomarski optics and two Leitz micromanipulators. 10-1700 copies of construct DNA (1ng/ μ l of Tris-EDTA buffer)

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were injected into one pronuclei in one-cell ova or both nuclei in two-cell ova.

Microinjected ova were returned to
5 microdrops of BMOC-3 medium under oil and maintained at 38°C under a 90% N₂, 5% CO₂, 5% O₂ atmosphere prior to their transfer to suitable recipients. Ova were transferred within 10 hours of recovery.

Only recipients which exhibited estrus on
10 the same day or 24 hours later than the donors were utilized for embryo transfer. Recipients were anesthetized as described earlier. Following exteriorization of one oviduct, at least 30 injected one- and/or two-cell ova and 4-6 control ova were
15 transferred in the following manner. The tubing from a 21 g x 3/4 butterfly infusion set was connected to a 1 cc syringe. The ova and one to two mls of BMOC-3 medium were aspirated into the tubing. The tubing was then fed through the ostium of the oviduct until the
20 tip reached the lower third or isthmus of the oviduct. The ova were subsequently expelled as the tubing was slowly withdrawn.

The exposed portion of the reproductive tract was bathed in a sterile 10% glycerol-0.9% saline
25 solution and returned to the body cavity. The connective tissue encompassing the linea alba, the fat and the skin were sutured as three separate layers. An uninterrupted Halstead stitch was used to close the linea alba. The fat and skin were closed using a
30 simple continuous and mattress stitch, respectively. A topical antibacterial agent (Furazolidone) was then administered to the incision area.

Recipients were penned in groups of four and fed 1.8 kg of a standard 16% crude protein corn-
35 soybean pelleted ration. Beginning on day 18 (day 0 = onset of estrus), all recipients were checked daily

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for signs of estrus using a mature boar. On day 35, pregnancy detection was performed using ultrasound. On day 107 of gestation recipients were transferred to the farrowing suite. In order to ensure attendance at farrowing time, farrowing was induced by the administration of prostaglandin $F_{2\alpha}$ (10 mg/injection) at 0800 and 1400 hours on day 112 of gestation. In all cases, recipients farrowed within 34 hours following PGF_{2a} administration.

Twenty-four hours after birth, all piglets were processed, i.e. ears were notched, needle teeth clipped, 1 cc of iron dextran was administered, etc. A tail biopsy and blood were also obtained from each pig.

6.2. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Of 3566 injected ova, thirteen transgenic pigs that expressed human hemoglobin were born, two of which died shortly after birth due to normal breeding-related incidents completely unrelated to the fact that they were transgenic pigs (Table I). The remaining 11 appeared to be healthy. A photograph of one transgenic pig is presented in Figure 2. Profiles of the pigs and of the percent "authentic" and "hybrid" human hemoglobin ("HB") produced are set forth in Table II, *infra*. Total hemoglobin was calculated as the sum of human $\alpha\beta$ plus one-half of the human α pig β hybrid. Figure 3 presents the results of isoelectric focussing and triton acid urea gels of hemoglobin produced by three of these pigs (numbers 12-1, 9-3, and 6-3) which demonstrate the expression of human alpha and beta globin in these animals.

TABLE I

Efficiency of Transgenic Pig Production
Human Hemoglobin Gene Construct(s)

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	<u>Parameter</u>	<u>Total After 22 Trials</u>
	Total Ova Collected	8276
	Total # Fertilized	7156
	Total # Injected	3566
10	# Injected Ova Transferred	3566
	# Control Ova Transferred	279
	# Recipients Used	104
	# Pigs Born (Male, Female)	208,332
	# Transgenic (Male, Female)	8,5 (0.36) ^a
15	# Expressing	13

^a Proportion of injected ova which developed into transgenic pigs (13 transgenics/3566 injected ova).

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TABLE II

FOUNDERS

PIG	GENDER	TRANSGENE CONSTRUCT	AUTHENTIC HUMAN HB	HYBRID HB	TOTAL HUMAN HB	COPY #
6-3	F	116	6.2%	8.1%	10.3%	57
9-3	F	116	1.0%	33.1%	16.6%	1
22-2	M	185	<1%	5.0%	5.0%	55
33-7	F	185	*died shortly after birth			0.5
38-1	F	185	1.0%	8.3%	5.2%	17
38-3	M	185	4.7%	17.2%	13.2%	22
38-4	M	185	3.2%	7.0%	6.7%	5
47-3	M	263	<1%	2.9%	2.0%	4-6
47-4	F	263	<1%	18.5%	10.0%	1-2
52-3	M	263	<1%	7.6%	4.0%	
52-7	M	263	<1%	26.4%	13.0%	
53-11	M	263	<1%	15.5%	8.0%	
70-3	F	339	23	31	38	3

Table III presents the profiles of offspring of pig number 9-3, which shows that the F1 generation of transgenic pigs are capable of expressing hemoglobin. Of note, none of the offspring of pig number 6-3 were found to be transgenic, possibly due to the absence of transgene in the animal's reproductive tissue.

Table IV presents hemoglobin expression data of offspring of pig 38-4 carrying the "185" construct (the " $\alpha\beta$ " construct; see Figure 1B). Table V presents a summary of the profiles of offspring of pig number 38-4 in which a large percentage (37.1%) of offspring were positive for expression of human

hemoglobin indicating germ line transmission of the
transgene. Figure 19 presents the results of
isoelectric focussing which demonstrates the levels of
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positive 38-4 offspring.

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TABLE III
F1 (OFFSPRING) OF FIG 9-3

FIG	GENDER	CONST.	AUTHENTIC HUMAN HB	HYBRID HUMAN HB	TOTAL HUM.	COPY #
9-3-1	F	116	1.0%	31.5%	16.0%	1
9-3-2*	F	116	1.0%	32.9%	17.0%	1
9-3-3	M	116	1.0%	29.7%	15.0%	1
9-3-4	M	116	1.0%	32.8%	17.0%	1
9-3-6	F	116	1.0%	29.1%	15.0%	1
9-3-8	M	116	1.0%	31.6%	16.0%	1
9-3-9	M	116	1.0%	30.2%	16.0%	1

*9-3-2 died the day after birth.

TABLE IV

EXPRESSION DATA PER LITTER FOR TRANSGENIC PIGS CARRYING THE "185" CONSTRUCT						
Founder	Litter No.	Gilt	Pigs	% Positive	#Tg	Avg. Authentic Hpa
38-4	1	544	10	20.0%	2	8.8%
	2	213	11	45.4%	5	4.9%
	3	882	5	20.0%	1	10.9%
	4	4923	6	83.3%	5	9.4%
	5	710	6	75.0%	4	4.5%
	6	978	11	36.4%	4	7.1%
	7	466	4	25.0%	1	3.6%
	8	464	15	33.3%	5	5.1%
	9	461	8	62.5%	5	6.6%
	10	1657	10	30.0%	3	9.0%
	11	892	3	33.3%	1	5.7%
	12	995	11	27.3%	3	4.4%
	13	209	11	36.4%	4	5.4%
	14	424	10	30.0%	3	5.9%
	15	1659	14	35.7%	5	4.4%
	16	420	12	8.3%	1	2.0%
	17	373	7	28.6%	2	11.8%

TABLE IV (CONT'D)

EXPRESSION DATA PER LITTER FOR TRANSGENIC PIGS CARRYING THE "185" CONSTRUCT						
Founder	Litter No.	Gilt	Pigs	% Positive	#Tg	Avg. Authentic HbA
	18	497	8	62.5%	5	6.0%
	19	742	8	25.0%	2	1.0%
	20	1420	14	42.9%	6	8.1%
	21	41	5	40.0%	2	1.0%
	22	540	11	36.4%	4	5.3%
	23	7114	11	54.5%	6	3.4%
	24	744	11	27.3%	3	4.9%
	25	600	14	42.9%	6	5.5%
	26	1180	9	44.4%	4	2.0%
	27	1137	12	25.0%	3	6.1%
	28	970	8	37.5%	3	10.8%
	29	78	6	0	0	
	30	214	14	50.0%	7	5.5%
	31	279	6	50.0%	3	10.3%
	32	281	11	45.5%	5	5.1%
	33	21-474	6	33.3%	2	12.3%
	34	1151	10	30.0%	3	5.3%
			318		118	

TABLE V

38-4 BREEDING SUMMARY

<u>FOUNDER</u>	<u>LITTERS</u>	<u>PIGLETS</u>	<u>PIGS/LITTER</u>	<u>TRANSGENIC</u>	<u>FREQUENCY</u>	<u>AVG. AUTHENTIC HbA</u>
38-4(M)	34	318	9.4	118	37.1%	6.2%
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<u>MALES</u>	<u>AUTHENTIC HUMAN HB</u>		<u>FEMALES</u>		<u>AUTHENTIC HUMAN HB</u>	
59	<u>EXPRESSION LEVEL</u>		59		<u>EXPRESSION LEVEL</u>	
	5.7%		59		6.8%	

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The birth weights of the transgenic pigs have been approximately equivalent to the birth weights of their non-transgenic littermates. As the transgenic pigs matured, their weights remained comparable to the weights of control animals.

7. EXAMPLE: SEPARATION OF HUMAN HEMOGLOBIN FROM PIG HEMOGLOBIN BY DEAE CHROMATOGRAPHY

7.1. MATERIALS AND METHODS

10 7.1.1. PURIFICATION BY DEAE CHROMATOGRAPHY

For purification, red blood cells were collected by centrifugation of 5000 rpm for 3 minutes in an eppendorf microcentrifuge and washed three times with an equal volume (original blood) of 0.9% NaCl. Red cells were lysed with 1.5 volumes deionized H₂O, centrifuged at 15,000 rpm, and the supernatant was fractionated by anion exchange chromatography. DEAE cellulose chromatography (DE-SE manufactured by Whatman, Ltd.) was performed according to W. A. Schroeder and T. H. J. Huisman "The Chromatography of Hemoglobin", Dekker, New York, pp. 74-77. The 0.25 ml red cell hemolysate described above was applied to 1 cm x 7 cm DE-52 column pre-equilibrated in 0.2 M glycine Ph 7.8 and was washed with 5 column volumes of 0.2 M glycine Ph 7.8/5 mM NaCl. Hemoglobins were eluted with a 200 ml 5-30 mM NaCl/0.2 M glycine pH 7.8 gradient. To complete elution of pig hemoglobin, an additional 50 to 100 ml of 30 mM CaCl₂/glycine pH 7.8 was added to the column. Elution of hemoglobin was monitored by absorbance of 415 mμ and by IEF analysis of column fractions.

7.1.2. REASSOCIATION OF GLOBIN CHAINS

35 Reassociation of globin chains was performed essentially as described in Methods in Enzymol.

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76:126-133. 25 lambda of pig blood, 25 lambda of human blood, or a 25 lambda mixture of 12.5 lambda human blood and 12.5 lambda pig blood were treated as follows. The blood was pelleted at a setting of 5 on
5 microfuge for 2 minutes, then washed three times with 100 lambda 0.9 percent NaCl. The cells were lysed with 50 lambda H₂O, then spun at high speed to confirm lysis. 50 lambda of the lysed cells was then combined with 50 lambda 0.2 M Na Acetate, pH 4.5, put on ice
10 and then incubated in a cold room overnight. After adding 1.9 ml 0.1 M NaH₂PO₄, pH 7.4 each sample was spun in centricon tubes at 4°C and 5K until about 0.5 ml remained. Then 1 ml of 0.1 M NaH₂PO₄ pH 7.4 was added and spun through at about 5K until about 0.2 ml
15 volume was left. The hemoglobin was then washed from the walls of the centricon tube, an eppendorf adaptor was attached, and a table top microfuge was used to remove each sample from its centricon tube. The samples were then analyzed by isoelectric focusing.

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7.2. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

7.2.1. HUMAN AND PIG HEMOGLOBIN WERE SEPARATED FROM A HEMOLYZED MIXTURE OF HUMAN AND PIG BLOOD

25 Equal proportions of human and of pig blood were mixed and lysed, and the resulting hemolysate was subjected to DEAE chromatography as described supra. As shown in Figure 4A, pig hemoglobin separated virtually completely from human hemoglobin. This complete separation is surprising in light of the
30 structural similarity between human and pig hemoglobin; pig and human alpha globin chains are 84.4 percent homologous and pig and human beta globin chains are 84.9 percent homologous. It is further surprising because, as shown in Figure 4C, when human
35 and mouse blood was mixed, hemolyzed, applied to and

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eluted from a DEAE column according to methods set forth in Section 7.1.1., supra, human and mouse hemoglobin were not observed to separate despite the fact that mouse and human alpha globin chains are
5 about 85.8 percent homologous and mouse and human beta globin chains are 80.1 percent homologous. The ease of separation of human and pig hemoglobin on DEAE resin appears to be both efficient and economical.

Interestingly, the order of elution of the
10 proteins from the anion exchange column was not as expected. Based on the relative pI's of the proteins as deduced from the IEF gels, the predicted order of elution would be first the hybrid (human α /pig β) followed by the authentic human α /human β . The last
15 protein to elute from the anion exchange column then would be the endogenous pig α /pig β protein. However, under all the conditions currently attempted the order of elution was altered such that the human hemoglobin was the first to elute. The second peak was an
20 enriched fraction of the hybrid followed very closely by the pig hemoglobin.

7.2.2. HUMAN AND PIG HEMOGLOBIN AND HUMAN/PIG
HETEROLOGOUS HEMOGLOBIN WERE SEPARATED
FROM HEMOLYSATE PREPARED FROM A
25 TRANSGENIC PIG

Blood from transgenic pig 6-3 (as described in Section 6, supra) was lysed by hypotonic swelling and the resulting hemolysate was subjected to DEAE chromatography as described supra. As shown in Figure
30 4B, human hemoglobin was separated from pig hemoglobin and from human α globin/pig beta globin heterologous hemoglobin. As shown in Figure 4D, human hemoglobin was substantially purified by this method.

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7.2.3. PIG ALPHA GLOBIN/HUMAN BETA GLOBIN
HETEROLOGOUS HEMOGLOBIN DOES NOT
APPEAR TO FORM BASED ON REASSOCIATION
DATA

Heterologous association between pig alpha
5 globin and human beta globin chains has not been
detected in hemolysates obtained from human
hemoglobin-expressing transgenic pigs. It was
possible, however, that this observation could be
explained by relatively low levels of human beta
10 globin expression. Alternatively, association between
pig alpha globin and human beta globin may be
chemically unfavorable. In order to explore this
possibility, reassociation experiments were performed
in which pig and human hemoglobin were mixed,
15 dissociated, and then the globin chains were allowed
to reassociate. As shown in the isoelectric focusing
gels depicted in Figure 5, although pig α /pig β , human
 α /human β , and human α /pig β association was observed,
no association between pig α globin and human β globin
20 appeared to have occurred. Therefore the pig α /human
 β heterologous hemoglobin should not be expected to
complicate the purification of human hemoglobin from
transgenic pigs.

25 8. EXAMPLE: SEPARATION OF HUMAN
HEMOGLOBIN FROM PIG HEMOGLOBIN
BY QCPI CHROMATOGRAPHY

8.1. MATERIALS AND METHODS

Clarified hemolysate from transgenic pig 6-3
13mg/ml; Buffer A: 10mM Tris, 20mM Glycine pH 7.5;
30 Buffer B: 10mM Tris, 20mM Glycine, 15 mM NaCl pH 7.5;
Buffer C: 10mM Tris, 20mM Glycine, 1M NaCl pH 7.5;
Buffer D: 10mM Tris, 20mM Glycine, 50 mM NaCl pH 7.5;
QCPI column 10ml Equilibrated in Buffer A; Trio
purification system. 10mg of hemoglobin prepared from
35 transgenic pig 6-3 was diluted in 20ml Buffer A. 20ml

of sample was loaded at a flow rate of 5ml/min onto the QCPI column, and washed with 2 column volumes of Buffer A. The column was then washed with 20 column volumes of a 0-50mM NaCl gradient. (10 column volumes Buffer A + 10 column volumes of Buffer D) and the O.D.₂₈₀ absorbing material was collected. The column was then cleaned with 2 column volumes of Buffer C, and then re-equilibrated with 2 column volumes of Buffer A.

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8.2. RESULTS

Analysis of the UV trace (peak vs. volume of gradient) (Fig. 6) revealed that the human hemoglobin was eluted at 15 mM NaCl. Subsequent purifications have been performed utilizing the same protocol as above, only using 6 column volumes of Buffer B (15mM NaCl) to elute the human hemoglobin rather than the gradient. In addition, non-transgenic pig chromatographed by this method does not elute from the QCPI with Buffer B, while native human hemoglobin does. The protein that eluted at 15mM NaCl was analyzed on the Resolve isoelectric focussing system and found to be essentially pure of contaminating pig hemoglobin or hybrid hemoglobin.

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9. EXAMPLE: HUMAN ALPHA/PIG BETA GLOBIN HYBRID HEMOGLOBIN EXHIBIT INCREASED P₅₀

As shown in Tables II and III, supra, transgenic pigs of the invention were all found to produce significant amounts of human α /pig β globin hybrid hemoglobin (the pig α /human β hybrid was not observed). Significantly, pigs that expressed higher percentages of hybrid also appeared to exhibit elevated P₅₀ values for their whole blood (Figure 7).

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10. EXAMPLE: ENHANCED EXPRESSION USING PIG
BETA GLOBIN REGULATORY SEQUENCES

The 339 construct (Figures 1R and 12) containing the pig adult beta globin gene promoter region (Figure 8), was used to prepare transgenic pigs
5 according to the method set forth in Section 6.1.2. supra. Figure 15 depicts an isoelectric focusing gel analysis of hemoglobin produced by pig 70-3; equal amounts of hemoglobin from transgenic pig 6-3,
10 carrying the 116 construct (Figure 1A) and human hemoglobin are run in adjacent lanes for comparison. As indicated by the brighter bands observed in the lane containing pig 70-3 hemoglobin at positions corresponding to human and hybrid hemoglobins
15 (relative to the lane containing pig 6-3 hemoglobin), the amount of human hemoglobin produced by pig 70-3 is greater than the amount produced by pig 6-3. It has been calculated that 38 percent of the total hemoglobin produced by pig 70-3 is human hemoglobin,
20 whereas 10 percent of total hemoglobin produced by pig 6-3 is human hemoglobin (see Table II and Section 6.2. supra, for data and calculations). This suggests that the pig beta globin promoter region is more efficient than the human beta globin promoter in transgenic
25 pigs.

In a separate series of experiments, two more transgenic pigs, expressing human hemoglobin, were obtained using construct "339" (pigs 80-4 and 81-3) (FIG.17). Human hemoglobin levels in these
30 transgenic pigs was determined by running isoelectric focussing gels and densitometric scanning of the individual bands (FIG. 18). As indicated in Figure 17, both pig 70-3 and pig 80-4 expressed high levels of authentic human hemoglobin. To obtain the copy
35 number of transgenes, genomic DNA (isolated from the tail) was digested with EcoR I and a Southern Blot was

performed. The probe used was a 427 bp NcoI/Bam HI fragment of human beta globin gene containing the first exon, first intron and part of the second exon.

5 11. EXAMPLE: MOLECULAR MODELING OF PIG
 HEMOGLOBIN AND THE α_1 β_1 INTERFACE OF
 A HYBRID BETWEEN PIG β AND HUMAN α GLOBIN

 It has been found that the amount of hybrid
 human α /pig β hemoglobin often exceeds the amount of
10 human hemoglobin. The molecular basis of this
 observation has been investigated using molecular
 modeling and molecular biology. The model structure
 of the hybrid molecule is based on the known
 structures of human hemoglobins and the structural
15 homology between the human and pig structures (A.M.
 Lesk, 1991, Protein Architecture: A Practical
 Approach, Oxford University Press, N.Y.). The pig and
 hybrid hemoglobin structures were modeled using the
 following four steps: (1) hydrogen atoms were added
20 to the X-ray model and their positions modified using
 energy minimization; (2) amino acid residue
 replacements were introduced to model the target pig
 and hybrid structures (no chain alignment was
 necessary); (3) the side chain positions of these
25 modified residues were energy minimized; and (4) the
 result was visually examined and found to be sound.
 The modeled structures are shown in Figure 20.

 Detailed examination of all the relevant
 contacts indicated striking differences at several
30 residues. For example, at position $\beta 112$ the human
 hemoglobin has a cysteine residue but the hybrid has a
 valine residue. The valine is in apparent closer
 contact (arrow in FIG. 20) with the opposing subunit,
 and thus may be more effective in stabilizing the α_1 β_1
35 interface (FIG. 21).

The effect of amino acid substitutions at the α , β , interface on the hydrophobic and polar interactions as predicted by HINT are shown in TABLE VI. HINT is software from Virginia Commonwealth University Licensed from Medical College of Virginia, Richmond, Virginia that can analyze the positive and negative scores as determined by attractive and repulsive interactions known from experimental physical chemistry measurements. TABLE VI represents the differences between the unmodified dimer and the one with the specified replacement. TABLE VII has the same format as TABLE VI with the following two exceptions: (1) as each replacement is added, the previous one(s) are kept, and (2) the reported difference is a comparison between the current dimer and the one reflected in the preceding row. As the subsequential changes are made, the predicted attractive forces at the interface increase. If each column is summed up the total difference between the unmodified dimer and the one with seven changes is obtained. The sums are +1340 for hydrophobic and +660 for polar.

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TABLE VI
Effect of amino acid replacements at the $\alpha 1\beta 1$ interface

Chain	Residue	Replacement	Predicted Difference	
			Hydrophobic	Polar
α	30	E to T	+250	+10
α	36	F to Y	-110	+220
α	106	L to F	+20	+10
α	107	V to S	-10	+120
α	107	V to C	0	+150
α	111	A to C	+30	+100
β	33	V to L	+70	0
β	112	C to V	+330	-60
β	112	C to I	+360	-50
β	115	A to V	+80	+10
β	115	A to L	+90	+10
β	119	G to H	+250	+120
β	125	P to M	+80	0
β	128	A to I	+80	0
β	131	Q to E	+120	+110

TABLE VII
Effect of combinations of amino acid replacements
at the $\alpha 1\beta 1$ interface on the hydrophobic and polar interactions

<u>Chain</u>	<u>Residue</u>	<u>Replacement</u>	<u>Predicted Difference</u>	
			<u>Hydrophobic</u>	<u>Polar</u>
β	112	C to I	+360	-50
α	110	A to I	+200	+10
β	115	A to V	+150	+10
β	119	G to H	+270	+130
α	36	F to Y	-130	+240
β	33	V to L	+80	+0
α	30	E to T	+260	+10
β	131	Q to E	+150	+310

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12. EXAMPLE: EXPRESSION OF GENETICALLY
MODIFIED HEMOGLOBINS IN TRANSGENIC ANIMALS

Of the known human hemoglobin variants,
5 about two dozen exhibit a lower oxygen affinity, which
could be advantageous in clinical applications. While
many of these mutants result in unstable hemoglobin
molecules, several variants have desirable biochemical
properties and can be used for the generation of blood
10 substitutes using recombinant DNA technology.
Transgenic pigs expressing two of these variants, Hb
Presbyterian (108 Asn→Lys, Fig. 1G) and Hb Yoshizuka
(108 Asn→Asp, Fig. 1F) have been produced and
purification and characterization of the expressed
15 human globins is described below.

12.1. PURIFICATION AND CHARACTERIZATION
OF Hb PRESBYTERIAN

The amino acid substitution generated in Hb
Presbyterian (β 108 Asn→Lys) results in the comigration
20 of Hb Presbyterian with the hybrid (h α p β) hemoglobin
on isoelectric focussing gels. Based on previous
results with the purification of human hemoglobin from
hybrid and porcine hemoglobins and the more positive
nature of the Hb Presbyterian it should be easier to
25 purify this variant hemoglobin on an anion exchange
resin. Approximately 500 ml of blood was obtained
from the transgenic pig 57-10. The blood was washed
several times with isotonic saline and then lysed by
hypotonic swelling in water. The cell membranes were
30 removed by centrifugation at 10000 xg to yield a final
hemoglobin concentration of about 100 mg/ml. Hb
Presbyterian was purified from the hybrid and porcine
hemoglobins as follows: 1-2.5 g of hemolysate was
loaded onto an XK 50/30 column packed with 450 ml of
35 Biorad Macrorep High Q resin equilibrated with 10 mM

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Tris-Cl and 20 mM Glycine at pH 8.1 (Buffer A). The proteins were eluted at a flow rate of 10 ml/min with a linear salt gradient of 9-16% Buffer B (Buffer A containing 250 mM NaCl) over 3000 ml.

5 The initial peak was thought to be Hb Presbyterian followed by the co-elution of the hybrid and porcine hemoglobins (FIG. 20). To confirm the identity of the first peak as Hb Presbyterian and not the hybrid hemoglobin, a sample of the protein was run
10 on Reversed Phase HPLC (FIG. 21). The initial peak from the anion exchange column was Hb Presbyterian with the α -chains eluting at the same time as normal human α -chains and the β -chains eluting slightly faster than normal human β -chains. This was also
15 found to be an excellent way of determining if porcine hemoglobin was contaminating the column fractions. Using this purification procedure and the analysis on HPLC the recombinant Hb Presbyterian derived from the transgenic pig 58-10 was judged to be greater than 95%
20 pure.

Purified Hb Presbyterian was dialyzed against 50 mM HEPES and 100 mM NaCl at pH 7.4 and oxygen equilibrium curves determined using a Hemox Analyzer (TCS Products, Southampton, PA). The Hemox
25 Analyzer was modified to allow analog to digital data conversion for ease of oxygen binding calculations. Under these conditions the Hb Presbyterian had a P_{50} of 25.8 mmHg (Hill Coefficient $n=2.3$) versus 13.3 mm Hg ($n=2.9$) for Hb A indicating that the Hb Presbyterian
30 bound oxygen with lower affinity than native Hb. Preliminary results to determine the Bohr Effect (Influence of pH on the oxygen affinity) indicated a normal Bohr effect for Hb Presbyterian (FIG. 22).

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12.2. PURIFICATION AND CHARACTERIZATION OF Hb YOSHIZUKA

Blood samples taken from the transgenic pigs expressing Hb Yoshizuka (68-3 and 68-2) were treated essentially the same as described above. The final concentration of the hemolysate was approximately 100 mg/ml. The purification of the protein required a slightly different strategy, however. A sample of hemolysate from 68-3 (about 10 mg) was loaded onto an HR 10/30 Biorad Macrorep High Q resin column equilibrated with 10 mM Tris-Cl and 20 mM Glycine at pH 8.7 (Buffer A). The hemoglobins were eluted at 2.5 mls/min with a 5-30% linear gradient of Buffer B (Buffer A plus 250 mM NaCl) over 500 ml (FIG. 23). Fractions were collected and analyzed by IEF to assess purity which was determined to be about 75% or better.

13. EXAMPLE: CLONING OF PORCINE β GLOBIN LOCUS CONTROL REGIONS (LCR)

The porcine β Locus Control Region (LCR) was cloned and sequenced. Constructs comprising the human globin genes under the control of the porcine LCR may be used to generate transgenic pigs with enhanced hemoglobin expression.

A porcine genomic library in EMBL-3 (Clontech, CA) was plated and 2 million plaques were screened. A 3kb Sal I to Eco RI fragment (extending from -1.9kb to -4.9 kb with respect to porcine ξ gene) derived from the 12 Kb SALI fragment of ξ gene was used as a probe. Two positive clones (Phage L and Phage H) were isolated.

Southern analysis of restricted Phage L and Phage H suggested that the two clones overlapped (Figure 26A). The 7 kb and 4 kb SstI fragments of Phage H were subcloned into plasmid pGem3 to obtain

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plasmids pPH2 and pPH1, respectively (deposited with the ATCC and assigned accession numbers 75519 for pPH2 and 75518 for pPH1. These plasmids were sequenced (from Sp6 and T7 promoter) and the sequence was

5 compared with the human genomic sequences. All the matches were with the sequence of the human beta globin region located on chromosome 11, which contains the entire beta globin locus. Further sequencing was carried out for PH1 using additional primers.

10 Sequence analysis revealed that the 3' end of clone PH1 (PH1-TA1, FIG. 27A) was 69% homologous to human LCRI (FIG. 27B). The sequence of the 5' end of PH1 and 3' end of PH2 were joined (joined plcr2, FIG. 28) and found to be similar to human LCRII (FIG. 29). The

15 5' end of PH2 (PH2-T7, FIG. 30A) had a stretch of 38 bp which was 78.9% homologous to a sequence in human LCRIV (FIG. 30B).

20 14. EXAMPLE: OPTIMIZATION OF HUMAN β GLOBIN GENE

Analysis of blood samples from transgenic pigs carrying human hemoglobin genes indicates that human α -globin is expressed at higher levels than human beta globin. The overall production of human

25 hemoglobin tetramers in transgenic animals may be increased by optimizing the expression of human β -globin gene expression. Such optimization may improve expression of β -globin by affecting mRNA structure, stability or rate of translation.

30 One approach to increasing the level of expressed β -globin is to engineer the human β -globin gene, from the promoter region through the coding sequence and into the polyadenylation site and 3' untranslated region, to be similar to the pig β -globin

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gene, but without altering the amino acid sequence from that of the authentic wild-type human β - globin.

Using polymerase chain reactions, synthetic oligonucleotides and restriction digests, constructs
5 were genetically engineered to optimize the human β -globin gene for porcine expression. As shown in Figure 31, the promoter region, intervening sequences I and II (IVSI and IVSII), as well as poly A and 3' UTR region are pig sequences and were obtained by
10 restriction digests from pig β -globin gene. Exon 1, Exon 2 and Exon 3 were generated either by polymerase chain reaction or by oligonucleotide synthesis (exon 2 SfaNI through Bam HI, and all of exon 3).

A comparison of coding sequences of
15 optimized, human and pig sequences is diagrammed in Figure 32. Lines in the optimized sequence indicates nucleic acid? changes from the human sequence.

Table VIII shows the number of changes between human, optimized and pig coding sequences.
20 The Table is subdivided into the 3 Exons and shows changes at the nucleotide, codon and amino acid level.

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Comparisons between the human and pig β -globin coding sequences are depicted in Figure 35. Differences are signified by small letters in the pig (bottom) sequence and codons containing nucleotide changes are underlined. Comparisons of human and optimized β -globin coding sequences and optimized and pig β -globin coding sequences are shown in Figures 36 and 37, respectively. The coding sequence and amino acid sequence of optimized β -globin gene are indicated in Figure 38. A plasmid containing the optimized β -globin gene, designated pGEM3B* Δ 3', has been deposited with the ATCC and assigned accession number 75520.

A number of constructs were engineered to express the optimized β -globin gene. Construct 505 (Figure 33) contains the human locus control region, the human α -globin gene driven by its own promoter, the human ξ -globin gene also driven by its own promoter, and the optimized β -globin gene which has the optimized coding region. The gene order in this construct is LCR $\alpha\xi\beta$ (where * signifies optimized β gene). A second construct, designated Construct 515 (Figure 34), contains the human locus control region, the human α globin gene driven by its own promoter, the human ξ -globin gene also driven by its own promoter and the optimized β -globin gene which includes the porcine introns, poly A and 3' UTR driven by the porcine promoter. The gene order in this construct is LCR $\xi\beta*\alpha\alpha$ (where * signifies optimized β gene). Constructs 505 or 515 may be used to generate transgenic pigs expressing human hemoglobin.

15. DEPOSIT OF MICROORGANISMS

The following plasmids were deposited with the American Type Culture Collection (ATCC), 12301 Parklawn Drive, Rockville, Maryland 20852.

5	<u>plasmid</u>	<u>containing</u>	<u>accession no.</u>
	psaf/pig ϵ (k)	pig ϵ globin gene	75373
	pGem5/Pig β pr(K)	pig adult β globin gene regulatory region	75371
	pPig3' β	3' end of pig β globin gene	75372
10	pGEM3 β^* Δ 3'	optimized human β globin	75520
	pPH1	pig β globin LCR	75518
	pPH2	pig β globin LCR	75519
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Various publications are cited herein which are hereby incorporated by reference in their entirety.

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SEQUENCE LISTING

(1) GENERAL INFORMATION:

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:1:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
(A) LENGTH: 889 base pairs
(B) TYPE: nucleic acid
(C) STRANDEDNESS: double
(D) TOPOLOGY: unknown
- (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)
- (xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:1:
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| CCCCAGCCCT TTTTCCAGGT CAGCGCAGGG AAAAAACATG TTCTCTGTCC CTGTTTATAC | 60 |
| TGTTTAGAAA CATCACCTCC CTCGGCGAAA CTAAACTTG GGGGTTGCAA TTTATTCCTT | 120 |
| GCTTCTTGT ATTTCTGACC ACATTGAGAG AGCTCTAGGT TTTCATCCGC AGATTCCCAA | 180 |
| ACCTTCGCAG AGGAGCTGTT TCACAGGACC GTGATTCAAG TTTACTCTAC TTTTCCATCA | 240 |
| TTTATTTGGT CATATGTTTA AATGAAGAAA GAAAGGAATG AAGATACCTG AATGAAATGA | 300 |

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GTATTTGTTT TCTTACCAGC AGGACTGAAT ACAAATGAAG AGAAGAAAAA TACGCACATT	360
TAGGACTTGG GCAGAGGTTT TATCCACGCT CTCCTTGTGG TTATTTCCCA TATTCAGAAG	420
GCGCGGGTGT GGATTCGTCT GTATGGTCCT AAATGAACC ACAGTGGTCA AATCCCTCCA	480
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GATTGCTACA GTGGGACTCA ACTCTAAAAG TTGTACAGAC TTGCTAAGGA GGATGAAATT	600
AGTAGCACTT TGCACTGTGA GGATGGACCT AGAGCTCCCC AGAGAAGGGC TGAAGGTCTG	660
AAGTTGGTGC CAGGAACGTC TCGAAGACAG GTATACTGTC AACATTCAAG CCTCACCCCTG	720
TGGAACCACG CCCTGGCCTG GGCCAATCTG CTCCCAGAAG CAGGGAGGGC AGGAGGCTGG	780
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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:2:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
- (A) LENGTH: 273 base pairs
 - (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: double
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: unknown

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:2:

CCCCAGACAC TCTTGCAAT TAGTCCAGGC AGAAACAGTT AGATGTCCCC AGTTAACCTC	60
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ATTTATTTGT ATTTTGGACT GCATTAAGAG GTCTCTAGTT TTTTATCTCT TGTTTCCCAA	180
AACCTAATAA GTAACATATG CACAGAGCAC ATTGATTTGT ATTTATTCTA TTTTATGACA	240
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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:3:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
- (A) LENGTH: 596 base pairs
 - (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: double
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: unknown

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:3:

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CATCAATTTT TTATTTGTGT AATAAGAAAA TTGGGAAAAC GATCTTCAAT ATGCTTACCA	240
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TCACCCTGTG GAGCCACACC CTAGGGTTGG CCAATCTACT CCCAGGAGCA GGGAGGGCAG	480
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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:4:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
- (A) LENGTH: 477 base pairs
 - (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: double
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: unknown

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:4:

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TCAAAGTAGA GGAAACCAAC TGTGTCAAAG CAGGAGCTGG ATGCAATCTT GGCAATAAGA	180
ATCTTGCCAG TAGGGTCACG TATGGCTTTT TCCTCCATCT TCAAGGGAAG GAGAGTTTGT	240
GCCAGGACAT AAATGTTACA TGAGGTTCAA AACGTCTCTG GACTGTAAGC CAGGGGAGCA	300
ACCTTCCTTT CCACATACTT TCCTNGCTCG GCTAACTCCC CAATGATAAA CATGCTTCTC	360
TTTATACAAT AGACATTCCA CATGTTATAG TTAAGAGCTT CCAGCCTGGG AGTCATTCTG	420
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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:5:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
- (A) LENGTH: 403 base pairs
 - (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: double
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: unknown

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:5:

GTTTTTTTACA CTGGAATTTA TAACTAGAGC ACTCATGTTT ATGTAAGCAA TTAATTGTTT	60
CATCAGTCAG GTAAAGTAA AGAAAACTG TGCCAAGGCA GGTAGCCTAA TGCAATATGC	120
CACTAAAGTA AACATTATTC CATAGGTGTC AGATATGGCT TATTCATCCA TCTTCATGGG	180
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TAAGCATACT TCTATTCAAT GAGAATATTC TGTAAGATTA TAGTTAAGAA TTGTGGGAGC	360
CATTCCGTCT CTTATAGTTA AATTTGAGCT TCTTTTATGA TCA	403

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:6:

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- (1) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 (A) LENGTH: 998 base pairs
 (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
 (C) STRANDEDNESS: double
 (D) TOPOLOGY: unknown

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:6:

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TGTCATACAC CTCGCATTAC ACCTCGCATT ACACGAGTTG CATCAAAAAA GAAAGTATTC	360
AAAATAGCTA TATTTCTAAT CATCCTTTGG AGTTGAGATG TGAGCCGAAG AGTTACATGT	420
ACATGCTTGA CATTTGAACT CGAAATAATA TTTAGGGAGC ATGTATGATT TCTCTATCCC	480
TTTACACAAT AACTAAAAAT AATTCTCATG ATTTACCCTA TGAGCTCCCC TCCAAGGCTA	540
CGTGGCTCTG TCTCACGGTG TCATCCGTTG TAGCCTGTTT TCCCCGCCCC GCCTTAAGGC	600
AGGTGGAGGA CAGGTATATC CTTGCCTTAT GGAAATCCA CTGCGTCTTT CAAGGCCAG	660
TTTATTGTTC CTTTGGTTCC ATGAGACTTT TGGTAGCTCA CTCCCTCCCT AAAAGGAACC	720
CAGACTGAGG GTGGTATTTT CCTCCCATAT ATTTCTCTTT TAAGTGTTGA AAAGGTATTC	780
TAATAGTACA TATAATTATC GACTGGTTTG TTGTTGTTGT TCTTTTTTGG CCGTACCTGC	840
AGCATATGAA CGTTCCTGGG CCAGGGACAG AATCCAAGCC AGAGCTGCGC CCTCCCCCAG	900
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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:7:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 (A) LENGTH: 166 base pairs
 (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
 (C) STRANDEDNESS: double
 (D) TOPOLOGY: unknown

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:7:

AAGAAATACC TCCGAATAAC TGTACCTCCA ATTATTCTTT AAGGTAGCAT GCAACTGTAA	60
TAGTTGCATG TATATATTTA TCATAATACT GTAACAGAAA AACTTACTG AATATATACT	120
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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:8:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

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- (A) LENGTH: 234 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: double
- (D) TOPOLOGY: unknown

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:8:

GACTAAGTCA CTCTGTCTCA CTGTGTCTTA GCCAGTTCCT TACAGCTTGC CCTGATGGGA	60
GATAGAGAAT GGGTATCCTC CAACAAAAAA ATAAATTTTC ATTTCTCAAG GTCCAACTTA	120
TGTTTTCTTA ATTTTAAAAA AAATCTTGAC CATTCTCCAC TCTCTAAAAT AATCCACAGT	180
GAGAGAAACA TTCTTTTCCC CCATCCCAT AATACCTCTA TTAAATATGG AAAA	234

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:9:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 34 base pairs
 - (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: double
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: unknown

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:9:

CCTCTAAGAC TAAGTCACTC TGTCTCACTG TGTC	34
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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:10:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 282 base pairs
 - (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: double
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: unknown

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:10:

CCCCAAGTCC TGGTCGAGGG CCTGTCCATG GCGATTAAAT CACCCCAAGA AAGTCCCCGT	60
CCTTCTCTGC GCTTCAGCCC CCTCTTCTGT AAAGGGCCTG CAAAGGGCCC TCTGCCGCCG	120
GAGAATTTCT CCTGCTGAAA CACACAGGCT CCCTCAGCTC AACCGGGACT GTCGCTACAT	180
CTATCACTTC TTCGCCTGCA CGACATCTGG GGTCTCTCAT CAGGGAGGGC CTTCTCTTCT	240
AAACCAAGCC CACCGGGCCC TGGGAGCGTG GGAGCAGAGA GG	282

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:11:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 38 base pairs
 - (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: double
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: unknown

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:11:

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TCATACTGAG AAAGTCCCCA CCCTTCTCTG AGCCTCAG

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:12:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 93 base pairs
 - (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: double
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: unknown

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:12:

ATGGTGCACC TGACTCCTGA GGAGAAGTCT GCCGTTACTG CCCTGTGGGG CAAGGTGAAC 60

GTGGATGAAG TTGGTGGTGA GGCCCTGGGC AGG 93

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:13:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 222 base pairs
 - (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: double
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: unknown

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:13:

CTGCTGGTGG TCTACCCTTG GACCCAGAGG TTCTTTGAGT CCTTTGGGGA TCTGTCCACT 60

CCTGATGCTG TTATGGGCAA CCCTAAGGTG AAGGCTCATG GCAAGAAAGT GCTCGGTGCC 120

TTTAGTGATG GCCTGGCTCA CCTGGACAAC CTCAAGGGCA CCTTTGCCAC ACTGAGTGAG 180

CTGCACTGTG ACAAGCTGCA CGTGGATCCT GAGAACTTCA GG 222

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:14:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 129 base pairs
 - (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: double
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: unknown

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:14:

CTCCTGGGCA ACGTGCTGGT CTGTGTGCTG GCCCATCACT TTGGCAAAGA ATTCACCCCA 60

CCAGTGCAGG CTGCCTATCA GAAAGTGGTG GCTGGTGTGG CTAATGCCCT GGCCCACAAG 120

TATCACTAA 129

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:15:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 93 base pairs
 - (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: double
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: unknown

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(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:15:

ATGGTGCATC TGTCTGCTGA GGAGAAGGAG GCCGTCCTCG GCCTGTGGGG CAAAGTGAAT 60
GTGGACGAAG TTGGTGGTGA GGCCCTGGGC AGG 93

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:16:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 222 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: double
- (D) TOPOLOGY: unknown

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:16:

CTGCTGGTTG TCTACCCCTG GACTCAGAGG TTCTTCGAGT CCTTTGGGGA CCTGTCCAAT 60
GCCGATGCCG TCATGGGCAA TCCCAAGGTG AAGGCCACG GCAAGAAGGT GCTCCAGTCC 120
TTCAGTGACG GCCTGAAACA TCTCGACAAC CTCAAGGGCA CCTTTGCTAA GCTGAGCGAG 180
TCGCACTGTG ACCAGCTGCA CGTGGATCCT GAGAACTTCA GG 222

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:17:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 129 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: double
- (D) TOPOLOGY: unknown

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:17:

CTCCTGGGCA ACGTGATAGT GGTGTTCTG GTCGCCGCC TTGGCCATGA CTTCAACCCG 60
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TACCACTAA 129

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:18:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 95 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: double
- (D) TOPOLOGY: unknown

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: cDNA

(ix) FEATURE:

- (A) NAME/KEY: CDS
- (B) LOCATION: 3..95

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:18:

CC ATG GTG CAT CTG ACT CCT GAG GAG AAG TCT GCC GTC ACT GCC CTG 47
Met Val His Leu Thr Pro Glu Glu Lys Ser Ala Val Thr Ala Leu

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1	5	10	15	
TGG GGC AAA GTG AAT GTG GAC GAA GTT GGT GGT GAG GCC CTG GGC AGG				95
Trp Gly Lys Val Asn Val Asp Glu Val Gly Gly Glu Ala Leu Gly Arg				
	20	25	30	

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:19:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 31 amino acids
- (B) TYPE: amino acid
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:19:

Met Val His Leu Thr Pro Glu Glu Lys Ser Ala Val Thr Ala Leu Trp	
1 5 10 15	
Gly Lys Val Asn Val Asp Glu Val Gly Gly Glu Ala Leu Gly Arg	
20 25 30	

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:20:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 222 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: double
- (D) TOPOLOGY: unknown

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: cDNA

(ix) FEATURE:

- (A) NAME/KEY: CDS
- (B) LOCATION: 1..222

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:20:

CTG CTG GTT GTC TAC CCC TGG ACT CAG AGG TTC TTC GAG TCC TTT GGG	48
Leu Leu Val Val Tyr Pro Trp Thr Gln Arg Phe Phe Glu Ser Phe Gly	
1 5 10 15	
GAC CTG TCC ACT CCT GAT GCC GTC ATG GGC AAT CCC AAG GTG AAG GCC	96
Asp Leu Ser Thr Pro Asp Ala Val Met Gly Asn Pro Lys Val Lys Ala	
20 25 30	
CAC GGC AAG AAG GTG CTC GGT GCC TTC AGT GAC GGC CTG GCT CAT CTC	144
His Gly Lys Lys Val Leu Gly Ala Phe Ser Asp Gly Leu Ala His Leu	
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Asp Asn Leu Lys Gly Thr Phe Ala Thr Leu Ser Glu Leu His Cys Asp	
50 55 60	
AAG CTG CAC GTG GAT CCT GAG AAC TTC AGG	222
Lys Leu His Val Asp Pro Glu Asn Phe Arg	
65 70	

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:21:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 74 amino acids
- (B) TYPE: amino acid

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(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:21:

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Leu Leu Val Val Tyr Pro Trp Thr Gln Arg Phe Phe Glu Ser Phe Gly
 1             5             10             15
Asp Leu Ser Thr Pro Asp Ala Val Met Gly Asn Pro Lys Val Lys Ala
          20             25             30
His Gly Lys Lys Val Leu Gly Ala Phe Ser Asp Gly Leu Ala His Leu
          35             40             45
Asp Asn Leu Lys Gly Thr Phe Ala Thr Leu Ser Glu Leu His Cys Asp
          50             55             60
Lys Leu His Val Asp Pro Glu Asn Phe Arg
65             70

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:22:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 129 base pairs
- (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: double
- (D) TOPOLOGY: unknown

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: cDNA

(ix) FEATURE:

- (A) NAME/KEY: CDS
- (B) LOCATION: 1..129

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:22:

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CTC CTG GGC AAC GTG CTG GTG TGT GTT CTG GCT CAT CAC TTT GGC AAA      48
Leu Leu Gly Asn Val Leu Val Cys Val Leu Ala His His Phe Gly Lys
 1             5             10             15

GAA TTC ACC CCG CCG GTG CAG GCT GCT TAT CAG AAG GTG GTG GCT GGT      96
Glu Phe Thr Pro Pro Val Gln Ala Tyr Gln Lys Val Val Ala Gly
          20             25             30

GTT GCT AAT GCC CTG GCC CAC AAG TAC CAC TAA      129
Val Ala Asn Ala Leu Ala His Lys Tyr His
          35             40

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:23:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

- (A) LENGTH: 42 amino acids
- (B) TYPE: amino acid
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:23:

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Leu Leu Gly Asn Val Leu Val Cys Val Leu Ala His His Phe Gly Lys
 1             5             10             15
Glu Phe Thr Pro Pro Val Gln Ala Ala Tyr Gln Lys Val Val Ala Gly

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	20	25	30
Val	Ala	Asn	Ala
	Ala	Leu	Ala
	His	Lys	Tyr
	His		
	35	40	

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:24:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 (A) LENGTH: 31 amino acids
 (B) TYPE: amino acid
 (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:24:

Met	Val	His	Leu	Thr	Pro	Glu	Glu	Lys	Ser	Ala	Val	Thr	Ala	Leu	Trp
1				5				10						15	
Gly	Lys	Val	Asn	Val	Asp	Glu	Val	Gly	Gly	Glu	Ala	Leu	Gly	Arg	
		20						25					30		

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:25:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 (A) LENGTH: 74 amino acids
 (B) TYPE: amino acid
 (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:25:

Leu	Leu	Val	Val	Tyr	Pro	Trp	Thr	Gln	Arg	Phe	Phe	Glu	Ser	Phe	Gly
1				5				10						15	
Asp	Leu	Ser	Thr	Pro	Asp	Ala	Val	Met	Gly	Asn	Pro	Lys	Val	Lys	Ala
		20						25						30	
His	Gly	Lys	Lys	Val	Leu	Gly	Ala	Phe	Ser	Asp	Gly	Leu	Ala	His	Leu
		35					40						45		
Asp	Asn	Leu	Lys	Gly	Thr	Phe	Ala	Thr	Leu	Ser	Glu	Leu	His	Cys	Asp
	50					55					60				
Lys	Leu	His	Val	Asp	Pro	Glu	Asn	Phe	Arg						
	65					70									

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:26:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 (A) LENGTH: 42 amino acids
 (B) TYPE: amino acid
 (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID NO:26:

Leu	Leu	Gly	Asn	Val	Leu	Val	Cys	Val	Leu	Ala	His	His	Phe	Gly	Lys
1				5					10					15	
Glu	Phe	Thr	Pro	Pro	Val	Gln	Ala	Ala	Tyr	Gln	Lys	Val	Val	Ala	Gly
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Val Ala Asn Ala Leu Ala His Lys Tyr His
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WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A transgenic pig, whose germ cells and somatic cells contain a human α -globin gene operably linked to a promoter effective for the expression of
5 said human α -globin gene in the red blood cells of said pig, said human α -globin gene being introduced into said pig or an ancestor of said pig, at an embryonic stage.
- 10 2. A transgenic pig, whose germ cells and somatic cells contain a human α -globin gene and a human β -globin gene operably linked to a promoter effective for the expression of said human globin
15 genes in the red blood cells of said pig, said human globin genes being introduced into said pig or an ancestor of said pig, at an embryonic stage.
- 20 3. A transgenic pig, whose germ cells and somatic cells contain a human δ -globin gene operably linked to a promoter effective for expression of said
25 human δ -globin gene in red blood cells of said pig, said human δ -globin gene being introduced into said pig or an ancestor of said pig, at an embryonic stage.
- 30 4. The transgenic pig of Claim 2, designated 9-3, or progeny thereof, in which the human globin genes were introduced using the nucleic acid
116 construct as depicted in Figure 1A.
5. The transgenic pig of Claim 2, designated 38-4, or progeny thereof, in which the human globin genes were introduced using the nucleic
acid 185 construct as depicted in Figure 1B.

6. The transgenic pig of claim 1 in which the human α -globin gene was introduced using a LCR α nucleic acid construct comprising the human α -globin gene under the control of its own promoter.

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7. The transgenic pig of claim 2 in which the human α -globin and β -globin gene were introduced using a LCR α and a LCR $\epsilon\beta$ nucleic acid construct comprising the human α -globin gene under the control of its own promoter and the human ϵ -globin gene and human β -globin gene under the control of their own promoters, respectively.

8. The transgenic pig of claim 2 in which the human globin genes were introduced using the nucleic acid 116 construct as depicted in Figure 1A.

9. The transgenic pig of claim 2 in which the human globin genes were introduced using nucleic acid 185 construct as depicted in Figure 1B.

10. The transgenic pig of claim 2 in which the human globin genes were introduced using a nucleic acid $\beta\alpha$ construct as depicted in Figure 1C.

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11. The transgenic pig of claim 2 in which the human globin genes were introduced using a nucleic acid Yoshizuka construct as depicted in Figure 1F.

12. The transgenic pig of claim 2 in which the human globin genes were introduced using a nucleic acid Presbyterian construct as depicted in Figure 1G.

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13. The transgenic pig of claim 2 in which the human globin genes were introduced using a nucleic acid $\alpha\beta(\Delta\alpha)$ construct as depicted in Figure 1H.

5 14. The transgenic pig of claim 2 in which the human globin genes were introduced using a nucleic acid 227 construct as depicted in Figure 1I.

10 15. The transgenic pig of claim 2 in which the human globin genes were introduced using a nucleic acid 228 construct as depicted in Figure 1J.

16. The transgenic pig of claim 2 in which the human globin genes were introduced using a
15 Hemoglobin Bologna construct as depicted in Figure 1N.

17. The transgenic pig of claim 2 in which the human globin genes were introduced using a nucleic acid 318 construct as depicted in Figure 1O.
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18. The transgenic pig of claim 2 in which the human globin genes were introduced using a nucleic acid 319 construct as depicted in Figure 1P.

25 19. The transgenic pig of claim 2 in which the human globin genes were introduced using a nucleic acid 329 construct as depicted in Figure 1Q.

20. The transgenic pig of claim 2 in which
30 the human globin genes were introduced using a nucleic acid 339 construct as depicted in Figure 1R.

21. The transgenic pig of claim 2 in which the human globin genes were introduced using a nucleic
35 acid 340 construct as depicted in Figure 1S.

22. The transgenic pig of claim 2 in which the human globin genes were introduced using a nucleic acid 41 construct as depicted in Figure 1T.

5 23. The transgenic pig of claim 2 in which the human globin genes were introduced using a nucleic acid 343 construct as depicted in Figure 1U.

24 The transgenic pig of claim 2 in which
10 the human globin genes were introduced using a nucleic acid 347 construct as depicted in Figure 1V.

25. The transgenic pig of claim 2 in which the human globin genes were introduced using a nucleic
15 acid construct as depicted in Figure 1W.

26. The transgenic pig of claim 2 in which the human globin genes were introduced using a nucleic
acid construct as depicted in Figure 1X.

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27. The transgenic pig of claim 2 in which the human globin genes were introduced using a nucleic acid construct is as depicted in Figure 1Y.

25 28. The transgenic pig of claim 2 in which the human globin genes were introduced using a nucleic acid 263 construct as depicted in Figure 1K.

29. The transgenic pig of claim 2 in which
30 the human globin genes were introduced using a nucleic acid 274 construct as depicted in Figure 1L.

30. The transgenic pig of claims 1, 2 or 3 which contains, in a single cell, at least twenty and
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no greater than one hundred copies of a globin transgene.

31. The transgenic pig of claim 1, 2, or 3
5 in which the P_{50} of the whole blood of the transgenic pig, when non-pregnant, is at least ten percent greater than the P_{50} of whole blood of a non-pregnant non-transgenic pig at the same altitude.

10 32. The transgenic pig of claim 1, 3, or 3 in which the amount of human globin produced relative to total hemoglobin is at least two percent.

33. The transgenic pig of claim 1, 2, or 3
15 in which the amount of human globin produced relative to total hemoglobin is at least five percent.

34. The transgenic pig of claim 1, 2, or 3
20 in which the amount of human globin produced relative to total hemoglobin is at least ten percent.

35. The transgenic pig of claim 1, 2, or 3
in which the amount of human globin produced relative to total hemoglobin is at least twenty percent.

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36. The transgenic pig of claim 2 in which the human globin genes were introduced using a nucleic acid 505 construct as depicted in Figure 33.

30 37. The transgenic pig of claim 2 in which the human globin genes were introduced using a nucleic acid construct as depicted in Figure 34 for the 515 construct.

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38. An essentially purified and isolated human/pig hemoglobin hybrid comprising human α globin and pig β globin.

5 39. A nucleic acid construct comprising a human globin gene and a pig beta globin gene under the control of a suitable promoter sequences.

10 40. A pharmaceutical composition comprising the essentially purified and isolated human/pig hemoglobin hybrid of claim 38 in a suitable pharmacological carrier.

15 41. A transgenic pig, which germ cells and somatic cells contain a DNA sequence comprising the pig adult β globin regulatory region as contained in plasmid pGem5/Pig β pr(K), deposited with the American Type Culture Collection and assigned accession number 75371, operably linked to a gene, in which the gene
20 does not encode pig adult β globin, where the gene is expressed in at least some of the red blood cells of said pig.

25 42. The transgenic pig of claim 41 in which the gene is human β globin.

 43. The transgenic pig of claim 41 in which the gene encodes a non-globin protein.

30 44. A transgenic pig, where germ cells and somatic cells contain a DNA sequence comprising the 3' region of the pig adult β globin gene, as contained in plasmid pPig3' β , deposited with the American Type Culture Collection and assigned accession number
35 75372, operably linked to a gene, in which the gene is

not pig adult β globin, where the gene is expressed in at least some of the red blood cells of said pig.

45. The transgenic pig of claim 44 in which
5 the gene is human β globin.

46. The transgenic pig of claim 44 in which the gene encodes a non-globin protein.

10 47. A purified and isolated nucleic acid comprising: the pig adult β globin regulatory region as comprised in a plasmid pGem5/Pig β pr(K), as deposited with the American Type Culture Collection and assigned accession number 75371.

15 48. A purified and isolated nucleic acid comprising: the pig ϵ globin gene as comprised in plasmid pSaf/pig ϵ (K), as deposited with the American Type Culture Collection and assigned accession number
20 75373.

49. A purified and isolated nucleic acid comprising: the 3' region of the pig adult β globin gene as comprised in plasmid pPig3' β , as deposited
25 with the American Type Culture Collection and assigned accession number 75372.

50. The transgenic pig of claim 2 in which the nucleic acid encoding human alpha globin or human
30 beta globin comprises a mutation which increases the level of authentic human/human dimer in the transgenic pig.

51. The transgenic pig of claim 50 wherein
35 the mutation in human alpha hemoglobin is selected

from the following group of alpha-chain mutations: a Thr at position 30 instead of Glu; a Tyr at position 36 instead of Phe; a Phe instead of Leu at position 106; a Ser or Cys instead of Val at position 107; and
5 a Cys instead of Ala at position 111.

52. The transgenic pig of claim 50 wherein the mutation in human beta hemoglobin is selected from the following group of beta-chain mutations: a Leu
10 instead of Val at position 33; a Ile instead of Cys at position 112; a Val or Leu instead of Ala at position 115; a His instead of Gly at position 119; a Met instead of Pro at position 128; and a Glu instead of Gln at position 131.

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53. The transgenic pig of claim 52 wherein the mutation in human beta hemoglobin is a Cys to Val change at position 112.

20 54. A method of purifying human hemoglobin from a mixture of human hemoglobin, pig hemoglobin, and human/pig hybrid hemoglobin, comprising:

- (i) collecting red blood cells from a transgenic pig comprised of the
25 DNA sequences for human alpha globin and human beta globin operably linked to promoter elements where human hemoglobin is produced in at least some of the
30 red cells of said pig;
- (ii) releasing the contents of the collected red blood cells to produce a lysate;
- (iii) applying the lysate of step (ii)
35 to DEAE-Cellulose anion exchange

column equilibrated to a pH of about 7.8;

(iv) eluting the column with a salt gradient of 5mM-30mM NaCl; and

5 (v) collecting the fractions that contain purified human hemoglobin.

55. A method of purifying human hemoglobin from a mixture of human hemoglobin, pig hemoglobin,
10 and human/pig hybrid hemoglobin, comprising:

(i) collecting red blood cells from a transgenic pig comprised of the DNA sequences for human alpha globin and human beta globin
15 operably linked to promoter elements where human hemoglobin is produced in at least some of the red cells of said pig;

(ii) releasing the contents of the collected red blood cells to produce a lysate;
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(iii) applying the lysate of step (ii) to an anion exchange column equilibrated to a pH of about 7.8;

25 (iv) eluting the column with a salt gradient; and

(v) collecting the fractions that contain purified human hemoglobin.

30 56. A method for purifying human Presbyterian Hemoglobin from a mixture of human hemoglobin, pig hemoglobin, and human/pig hybrid hemoglobin comprising;

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- 5 (i) collecting red blood cells from a transgenic pig according to claim 10;
- (ii) releasing the contents of the collected red blood cells to produce a lysate;
- 10 (iii) applying the lysate of step (ii) to a High Q resin column equilibrated with 20 mM Tris-Cl and 20 mM Glycine at a pH 8.1;
- (iv) eluting the column with a linear salt gradient of 9-16% in buffer containing 10mM Tris-Cl, 20mM Glycine, 250mM NaCl at pH 8.1; and
- 15 (v) collecting the fractions that contain purified human Presbyterian Hb.

57. A method for purifying human Yoshizuka
20 Hemoglobin from a mixture of human hemoglobin, pig hemoglobin, and human/pig hybrid hemoglobin, comprising:

- 25 (i) collecting red blood cells from a transgenic pig according to claim 9;
- (ii) releasing the contents of the collected red blood cells to produce a lysate;
- 30 (iii) applying the lysate of step (ii) to a High Q resin column equilibrated with 10mM Tris-Cl and 20mM Glycine at a pH 8.7;
- (iv) eluting the column with a linear containing 10mM Tris-Cl, 20mM Glycine, 250mM NaCl at pH 8.7; and
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- (v) collecting the fractions that
contain purified human
Presbyterian Hb.

5 58. A purified and isolated nucleic acid
comprising the pig β - globin LCR, as comprised in
plasmid pPH1, as deposited with the American Type
Culture Collection and assigned accession number
75518.

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59. A purified and isolated nucleic acid
comprising the pig β - globin LCR, as comprised in
plasmid pPH2, as deposited with the American Type
Culture Collection and assigned accession number
15 75519.

60. A purified and isolated nucleic acid
comprising an optimized human β -globin gene as
comprised in plasmid pGEM3 $\beta^* \Delta 3'$, as deposited with
20 the American Type Culture Collection and assigned
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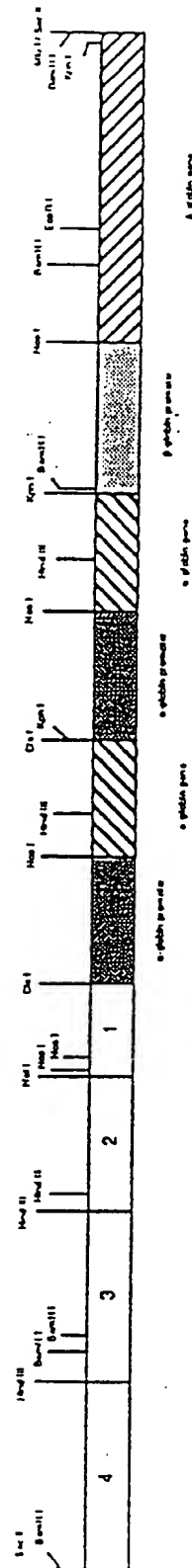
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CONSTRUCT #116

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LCR

FIG. 1A

α -Promoter- β
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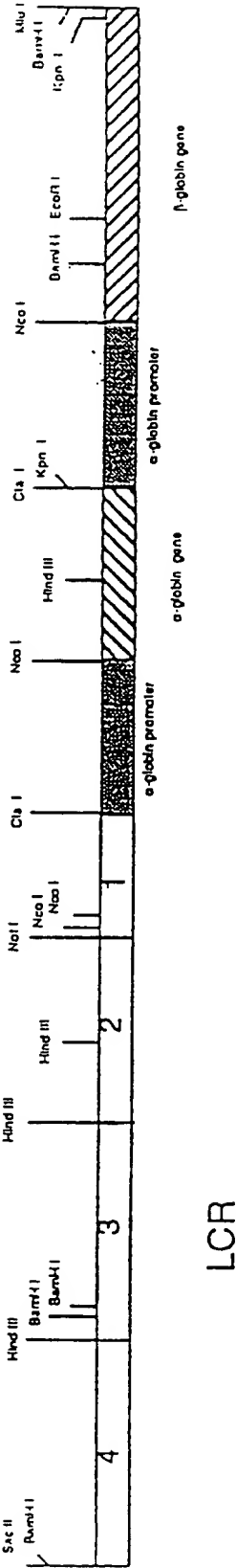


FIG. 1B

β -Promoter- α CONSTRUCT #290 (13.9 kb)

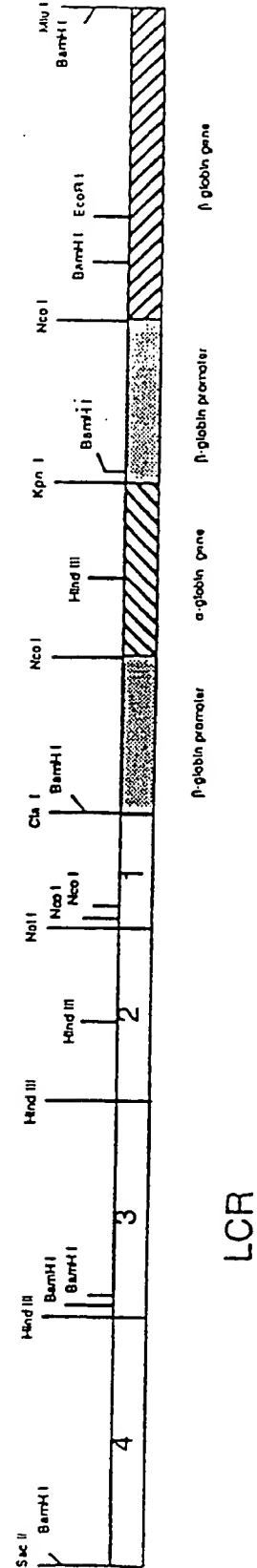


FIG. 1C

CONSTRUCT $\epsilon\zeta\beta\alpha$
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FIG. 1 D

Hb Yoshizuka
 $\alpha\beta$
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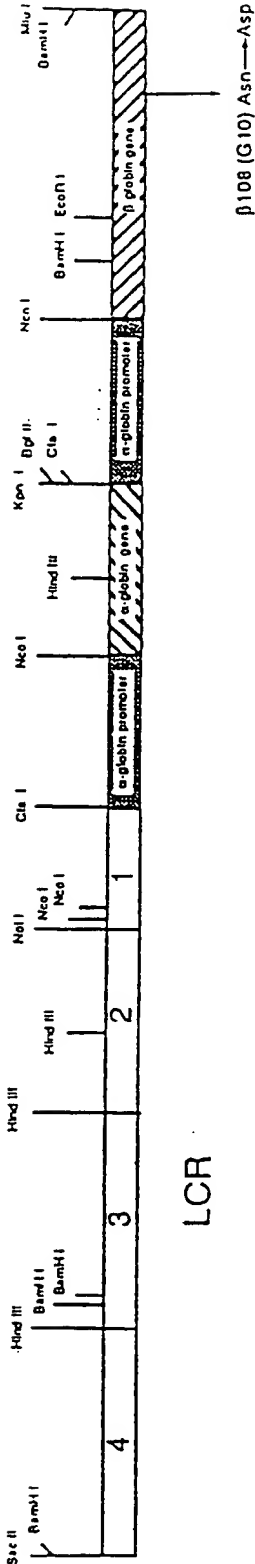


FIG. 1F

Hb Presbyterian
 $\alpha\beta$
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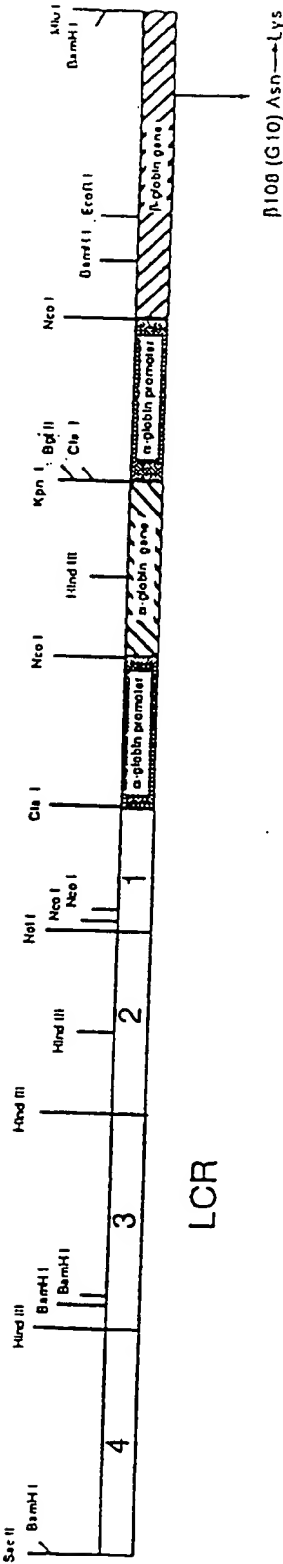
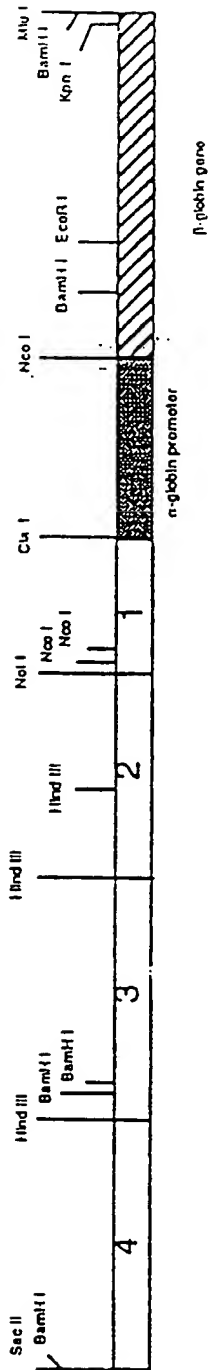


FIG. 1 G

CONSTRUCT #285

α -Promoter- β ($\Delta\alpha$)

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LCR

LCR α

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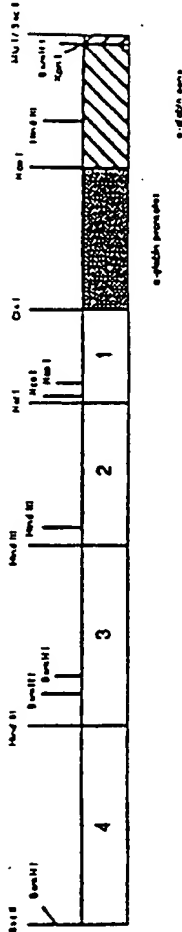


FIG 1 H

LCR

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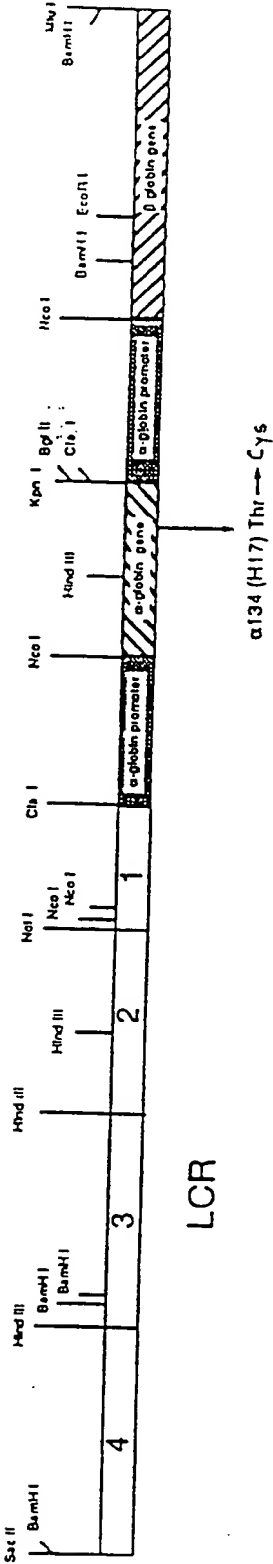


FIG. 1I

CONSTRUCT #228

$\alpha\beta$

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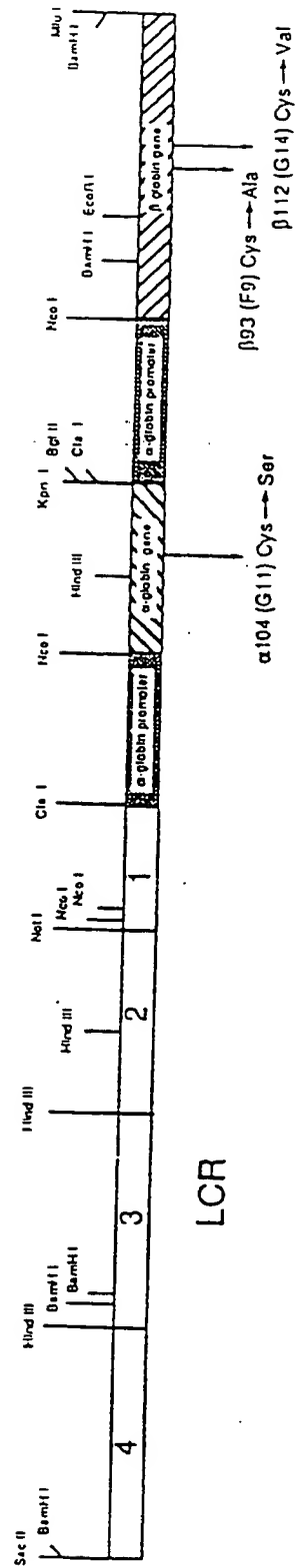


FIG 1J

α -Promoter- δ
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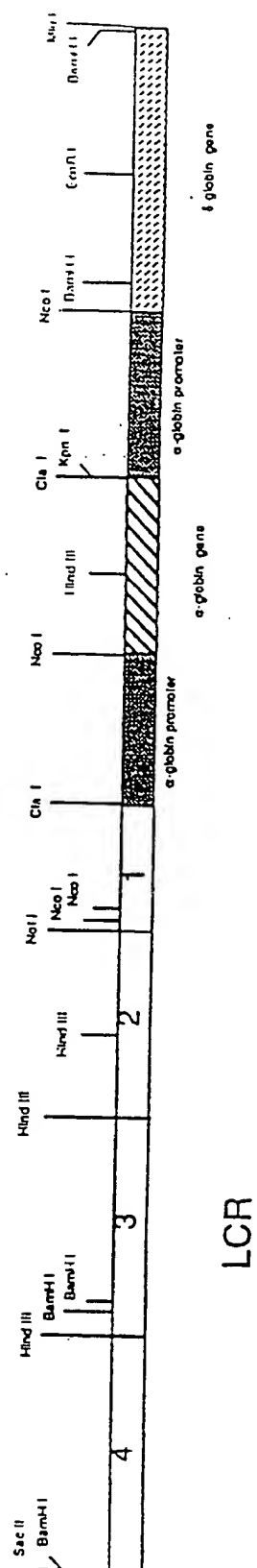
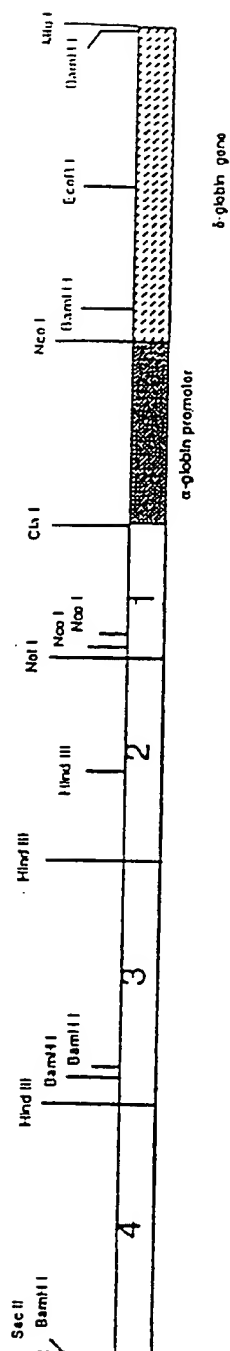


FIG. 1K

CONSTRUCT #274

α -Promoter- δ ($\Delta\alpha$)
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LCR

LCR α
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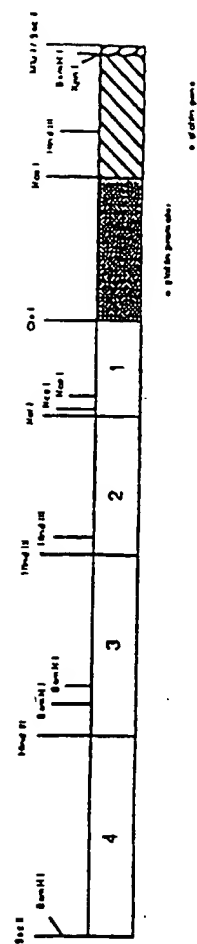


FIG. 1L

LCR

Hb Bologna
 $\alpha\text{p}\beta$
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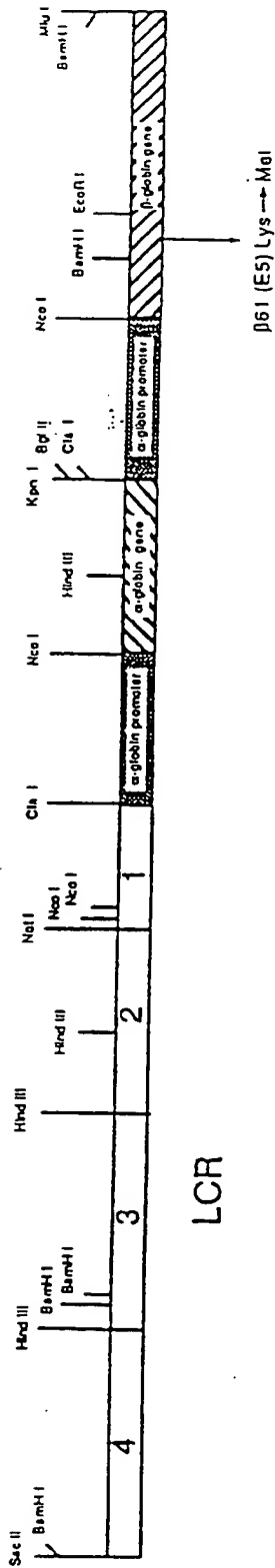


FIG. 1N

$\alpha\alpha\epsilon\beta$
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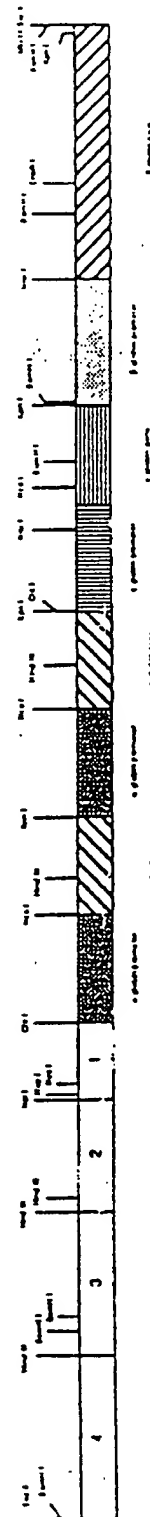
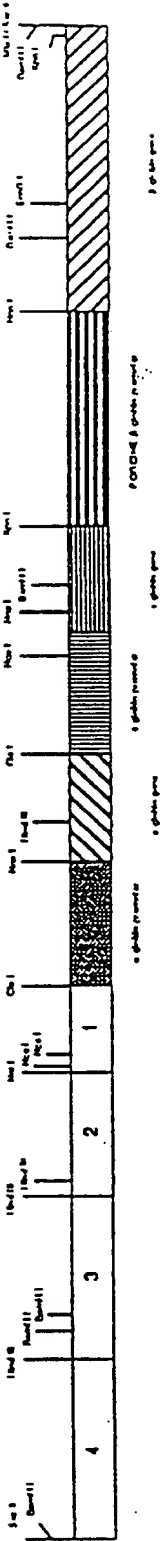


FIG 1Q

$\alpha\epsilon(\text{pig}\beta)\text{p}\beta$
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LCR

FIG. 1R

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 $\alpha\text{p}\beta$
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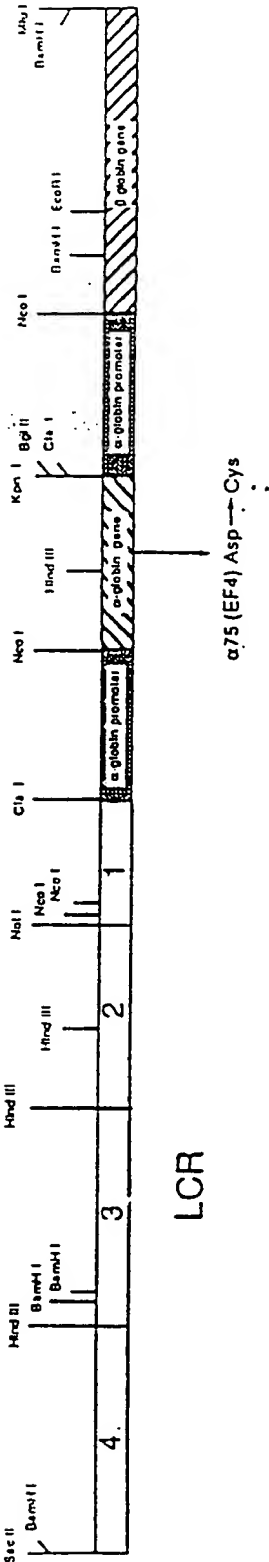


FIG. 1S

$\epsilon\beta\alpha\alpha$
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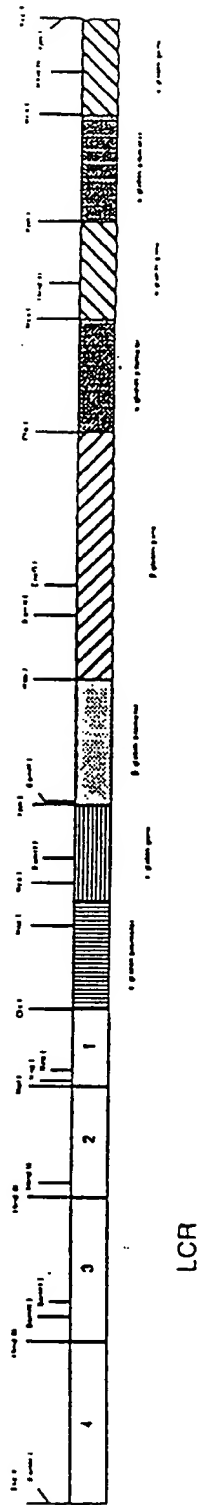


FIG. 1u

$\epsilon\beta\alpha$

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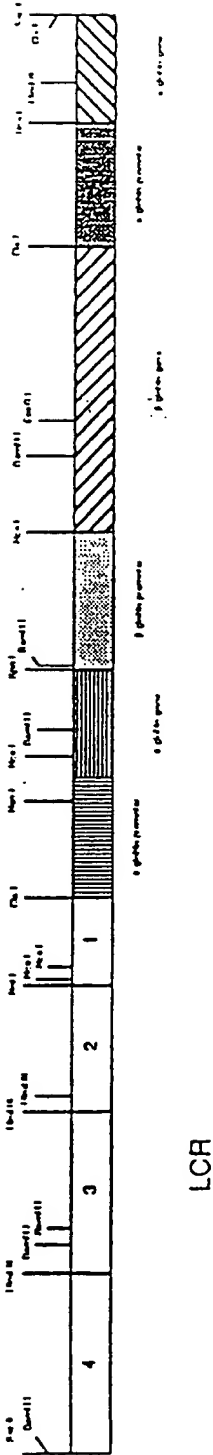


FIG. 1 V

α 42 Y.K, β 99 D.E
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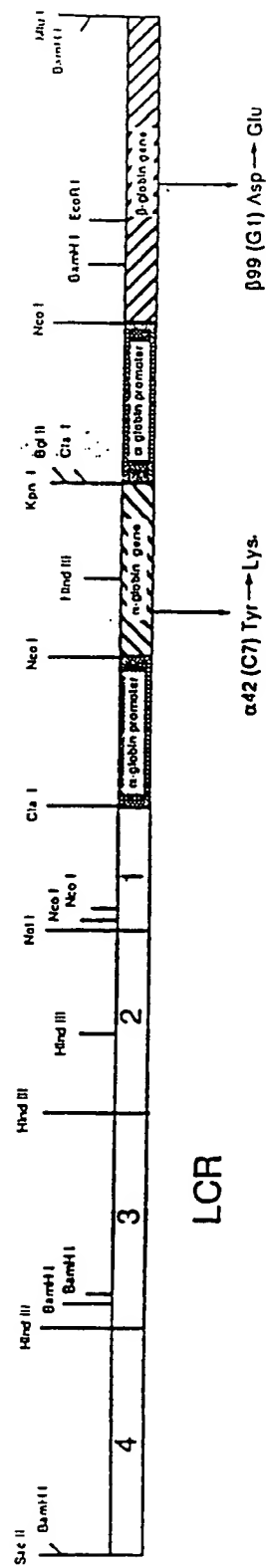


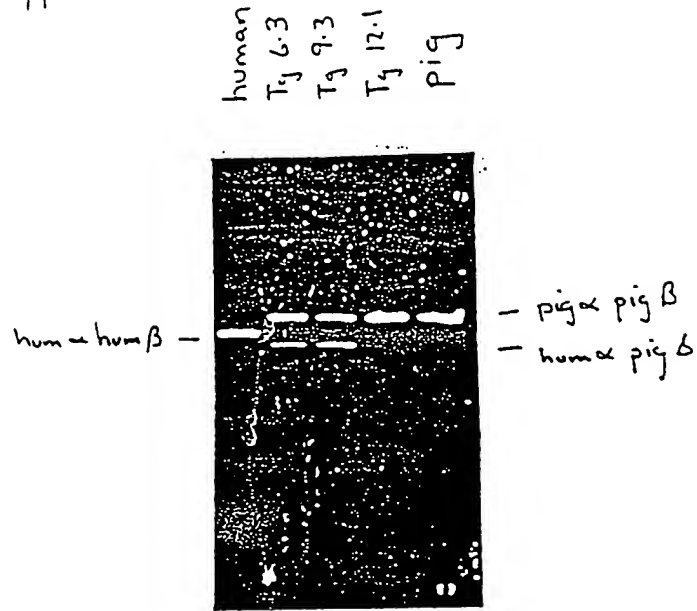
FIG. 1Y



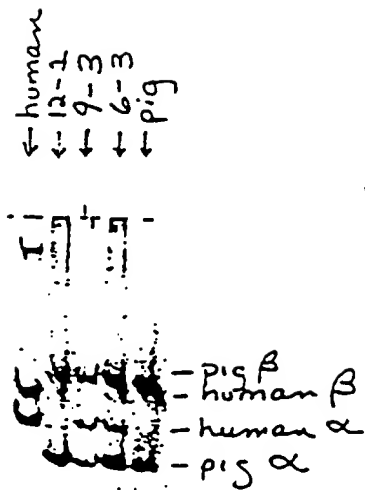
FIG. 2

FIG. 3 A-B

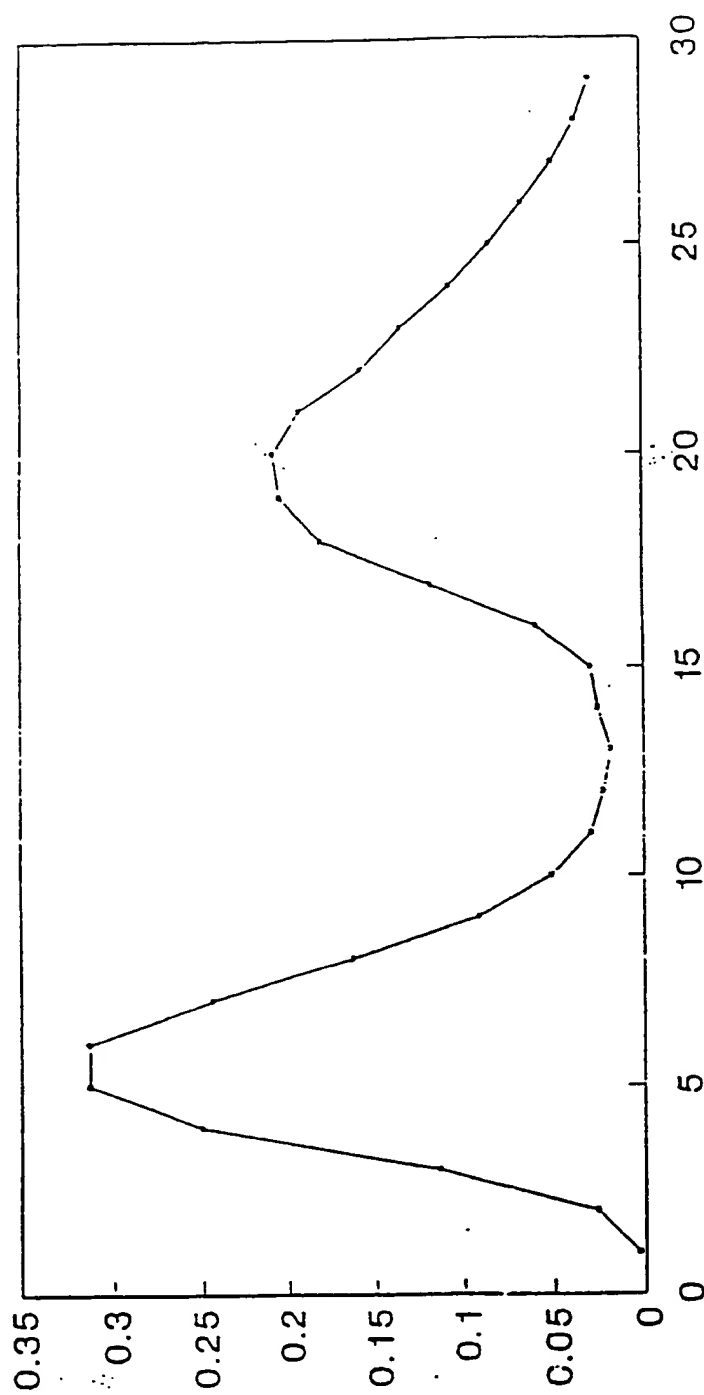
A.



B



50:50 Pig/Human Mix

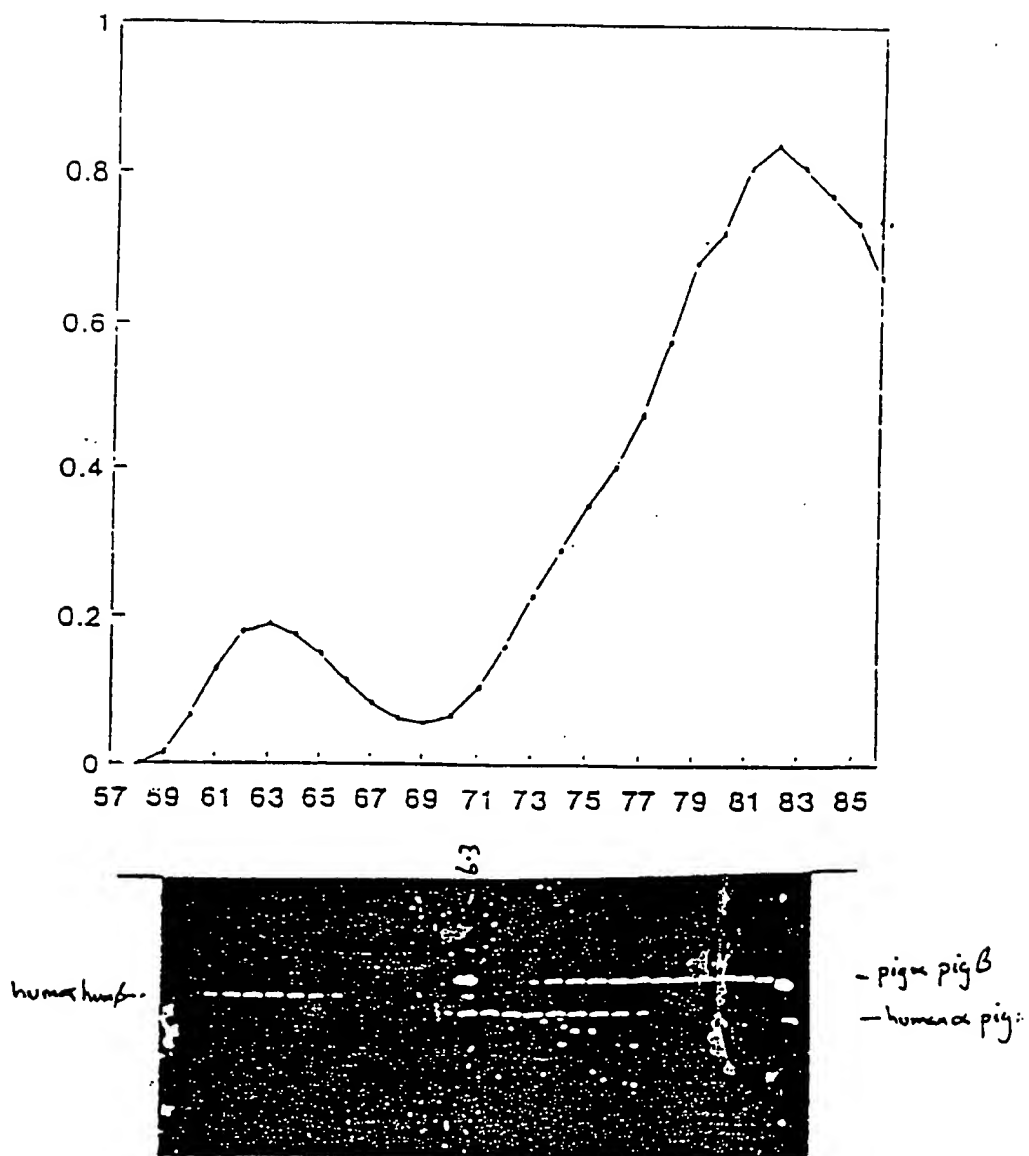


1:10 dilutions (129-2)

FIG. 4A

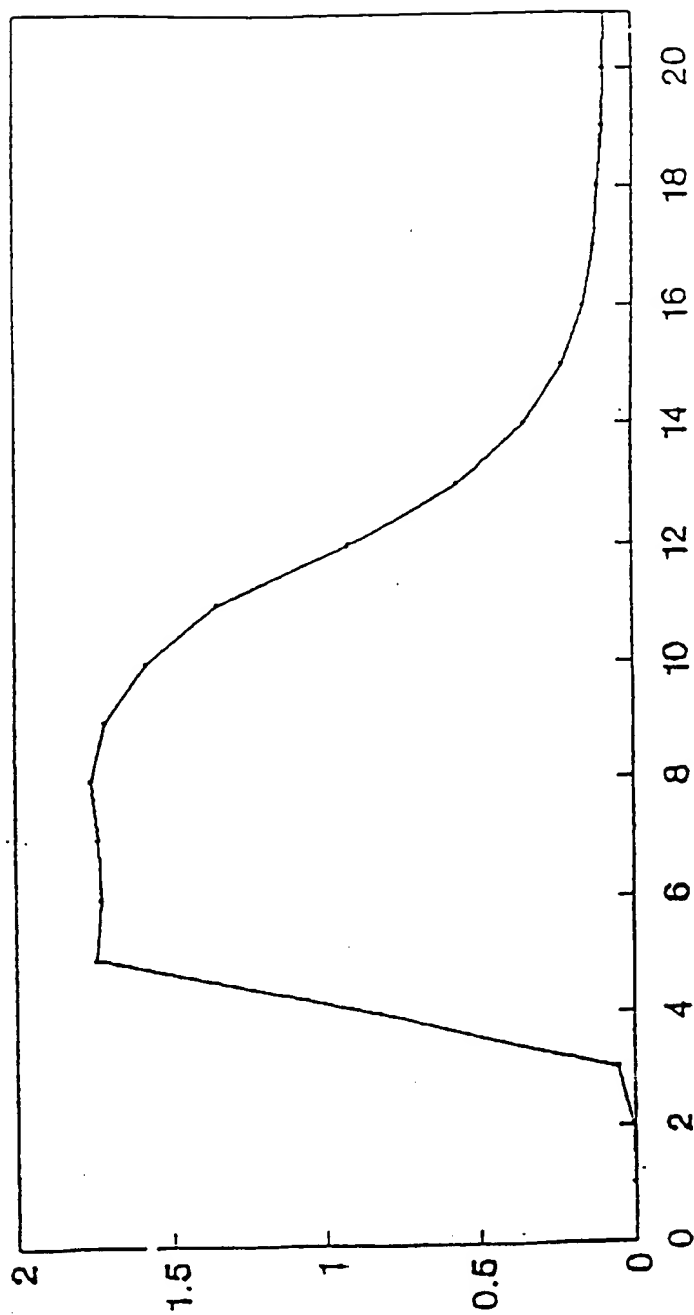
FIG. 4B

Pig 6-3
5 to 30 mM NaCl grad.



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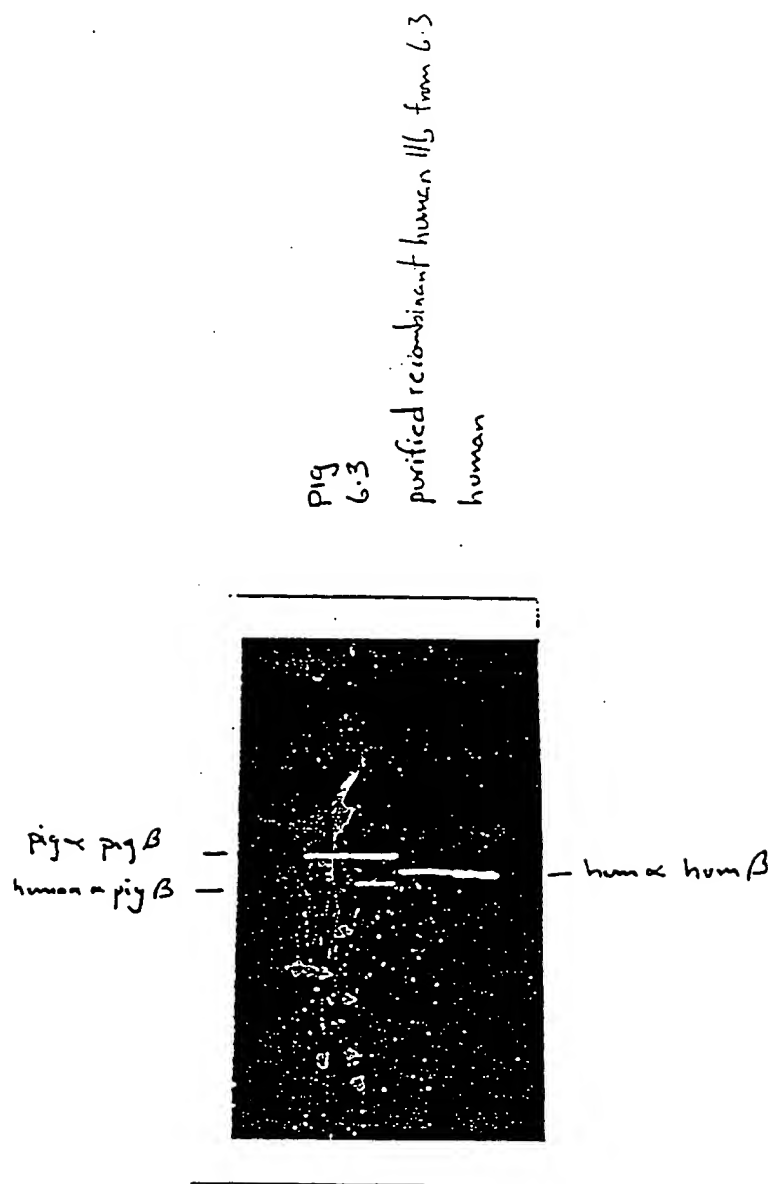
50% Human - 50% Mouse Mix 5 to 30 mM NaCl grad.



— Fraction

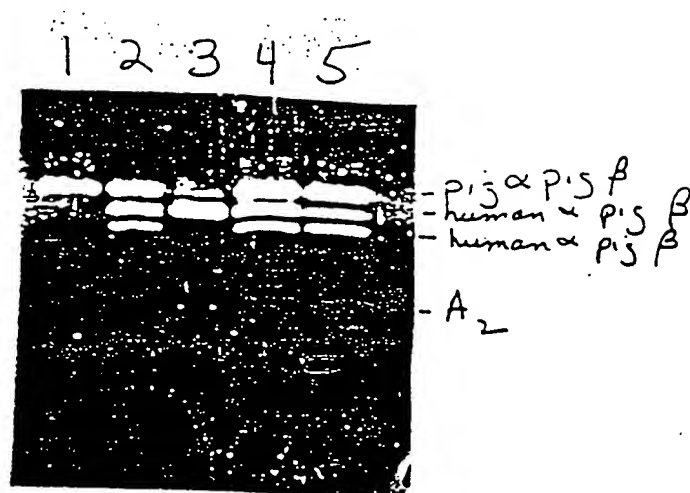
FIG. 4C

FIG. 4D



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FIG. 5



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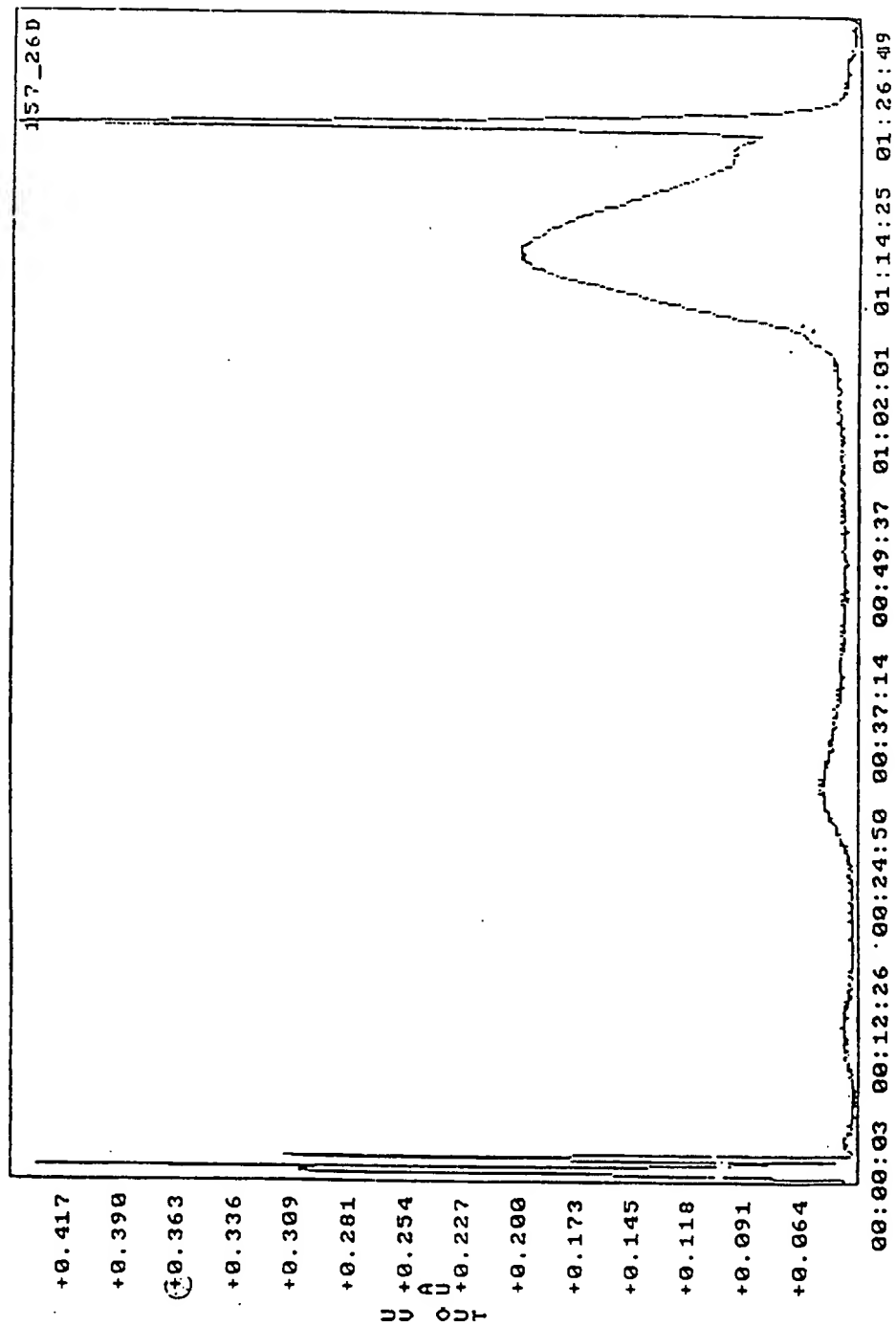


FIG. 6

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Oxygen Affinity of Transgenic Hemoglobin

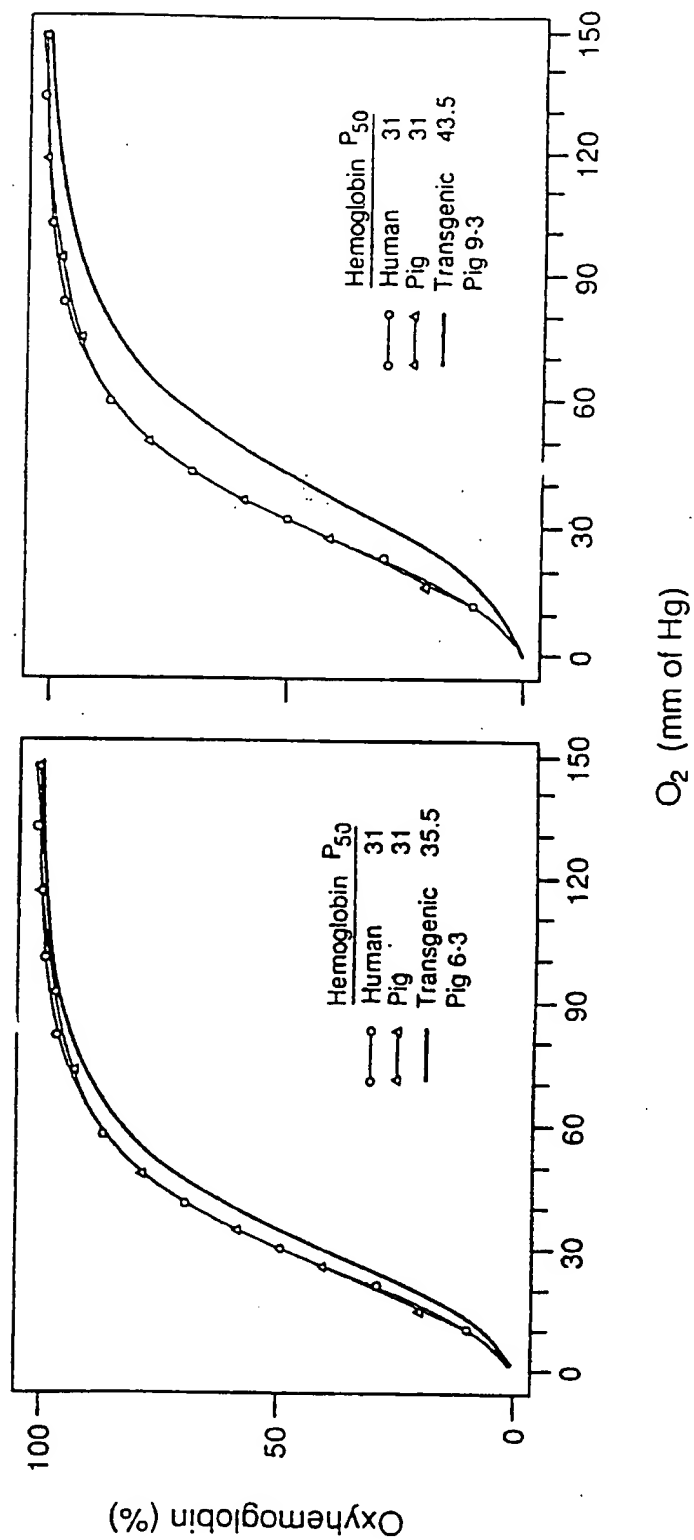


FIG. 7

Adult pig globin promoter

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      10      20      30      40      50      60
CCCCAGCCCT TTTTCCAGGT CAGCGCAGGG AAAAAACATG TTCTCTGTCC CTGGTTATAC

      70      80      90     100     110     120
TGTTTAGAAA CATCACCTCC CTCGGCGAAA CTAAACTTG GGGGTTGCAA TTTATTCCTT

     130     140     150     160     170     180
GCTTCTTTGT ATTTTCGTACC ACATTGAGAG AGCTCTAGGT TTTCATCCGC AGATTCCCAA

     190     200     210     220     230     240
ACCTTCGCAG AGGAGCTGTT TCACAGGACC GTGATTCAAG TTTACTCTAC TTTTCCATCA

     250     260     270     280     290     300
TTTATTGTTT CATATGTTTA AATGAAGAAA GAAAGGAATG AAGATACCTG AATGAAATGA

     310     320     330     340     350     360
GTATTTGTTT TCTTACCAGC AGGACTGAAT ACAAATGAAG AGAAGAAAAA TACGCACATT

     370     380     390     400     410     420
TAGGACTTGG GCAGAGGTTT TATCCACGCT CTCCTTGTGG TTATTTCCCA TATTCAGAAG

     430     440     450     460     470     480
GCGCGGGTGT GGATTCGTCT GTATGGTCCT AAATTGAACC ACAGTGGTCA AATCCCTCCA

     490     500     510     520     530     540
CTTTCTGCTC CTTGGATTCT TCGTTTGTGT ACTAAGAAAA TGGGGAGGCA GTCTCTAAGA

     550     560     570     580     590     600
GATTGCTACA GTGGGACTCA ACTCTAAAAG TTGTACAGAC TTGCTAAGGA GGATGAAATT

     610     620     630     640     650     660
AGTAGCACTT TGCACTGTGA GGATGGACCT AGAGCTCCCC AGAGAAGGGC TGAAGGTCTG

     670     680     690     700     710     720
AAGTTGGTGC CAGGAACGTC TCGAAGACAG GTATACTGTC AACATTCAAG CCTCACCTG

     730     740     750     760     770     780
TGGAACCACG CCCTGGCCTG GGCCAATCTG CTCCCAGAAG CAGGGAGGGC AGGAGGCTGG

     790     800     810     820     830     840
GGGGGCATAA AAGGAAGAGC AGAGCCAGCA GCCACCTACA TTTGCTTCTG ACACAACCGT

     850     860     870     880
GTTCACTAGC AACTGCACAA ACAGACAACA TGGTGCATCT GTCTGCTGA

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Figure 8

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1      CCCAGCCCTTTTCCAGGTCAGCGCAGGGAAAAACATGTTCTCTGTCCCTGGTTATAC
1287  CCCAGACACTCTTGCAGATTAGTCCAGGCAGAAA CA GTTAGATGCCCCAGTTAACC
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61     TG T TTAGAAACATCACCTC CCTCGGCGAACTAAACTTGGGGGTTGCAATTTATTC
1345  TCCTATTTGACACCACTGATTACCCATTGATAGTCACACTTTGGG TTGTAAGTGACTT
      * * * * *
118    CTTCCTTCTTTGTATTTCTGACCACATTGAGAGAGCTCTAGGTTTTTCATCCGCAGATTCC
1404  TTTATTTATTTGTATTTTGTACTGCATTAAGAGGTCTCTAGTTTTTATCTCTTGTTC
      * * * * *
178    CAAACCTTCGCAGAGGAGCTGTTTCACAG G ACCGTGATTCAAGTTTACTCTACTTTTC
1464  CAAAACCTAATA AGTAACTAATGCACAGAGCACATTGATTTGTATTATTCTATTTTA
      * * * * *
236    CATCATTTATTTGGTCATATGTTTAAATGAAGAAA      270
1523  GACATAATTTATTAGCATGCATGAGCAAATTAAGAAA      1559
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Matches = 176

Length = 277

Matches/length = 63.5 percent

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      * * * * *
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1689  GGTAG AGTTTT CATCCATTCTGTCTGTAAGTATTT TGCATATTCTGGAGCGCAGG
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1865  ACCAAGCTGTGATTCCAAATATTACGTAAATACACTTGCAAAGGAGGATGTTTTAGTA
      * * * * *
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2041  CTTAGACCTCACCCCTGTGGAGCCACACCCTAGGGTTGGCCAATCTACTCCAGGAGCAGG
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Figure 9.

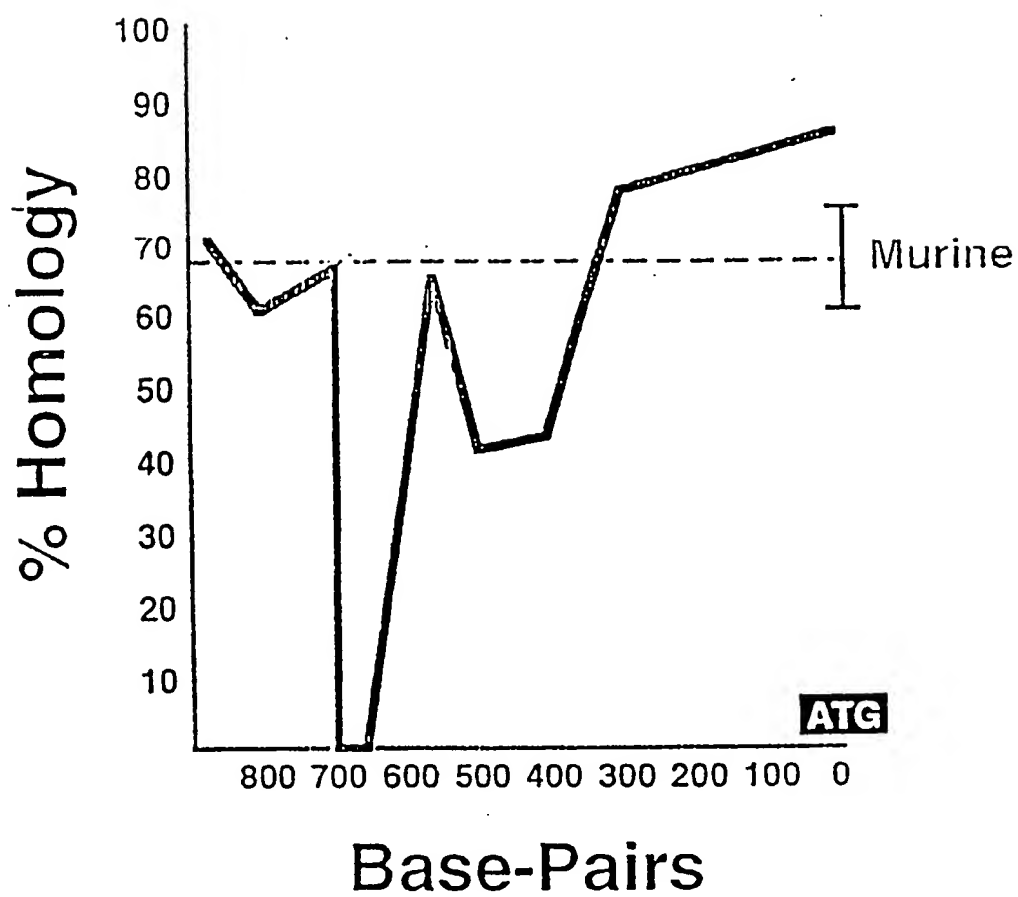


Figure 10.

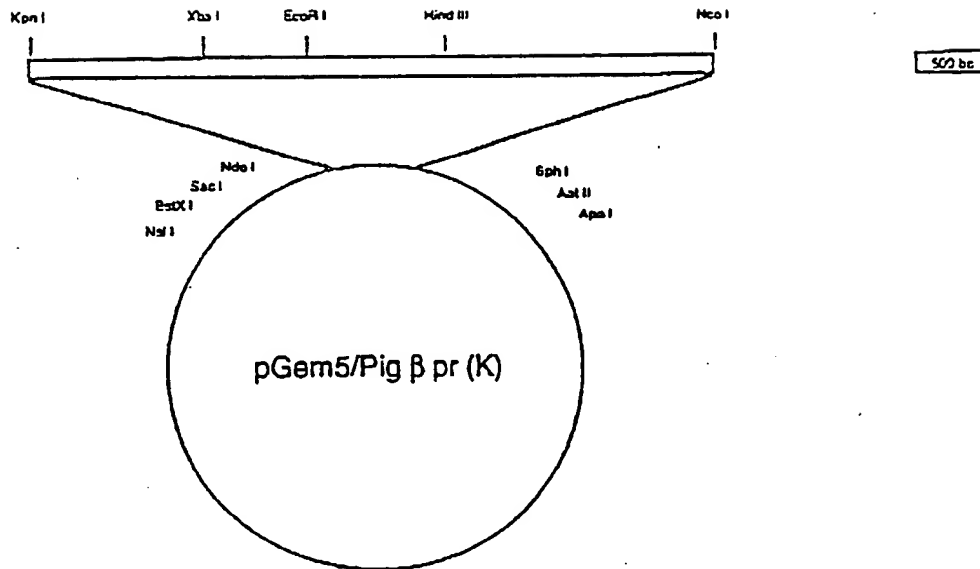
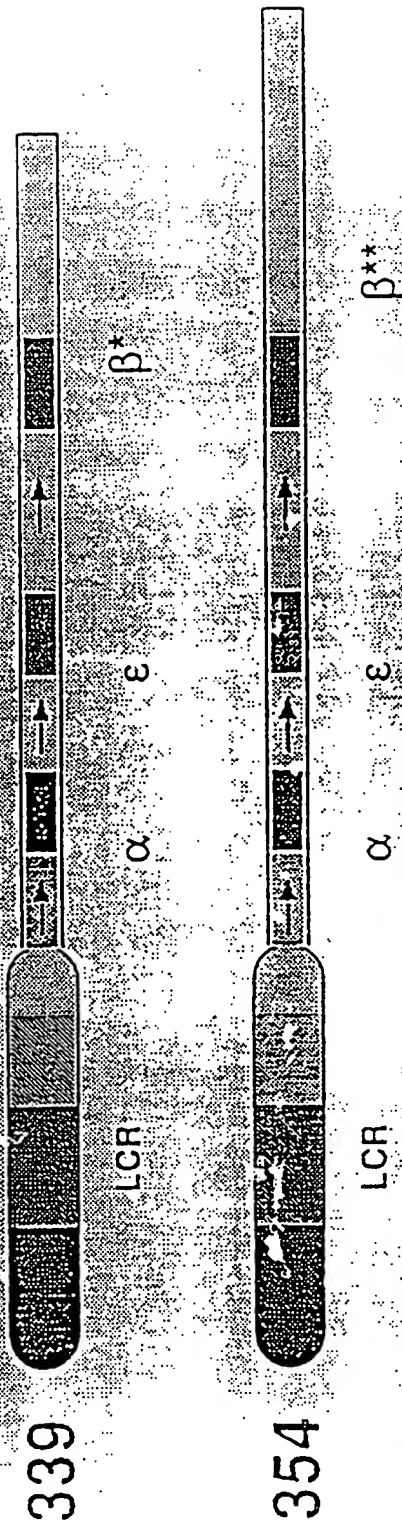


Figure 11.

Figure 12



β^* = Pig promoter – Human β gene – Human 3' end
 β^{**} = Pig promoter – Human β gene – Pig 3' end

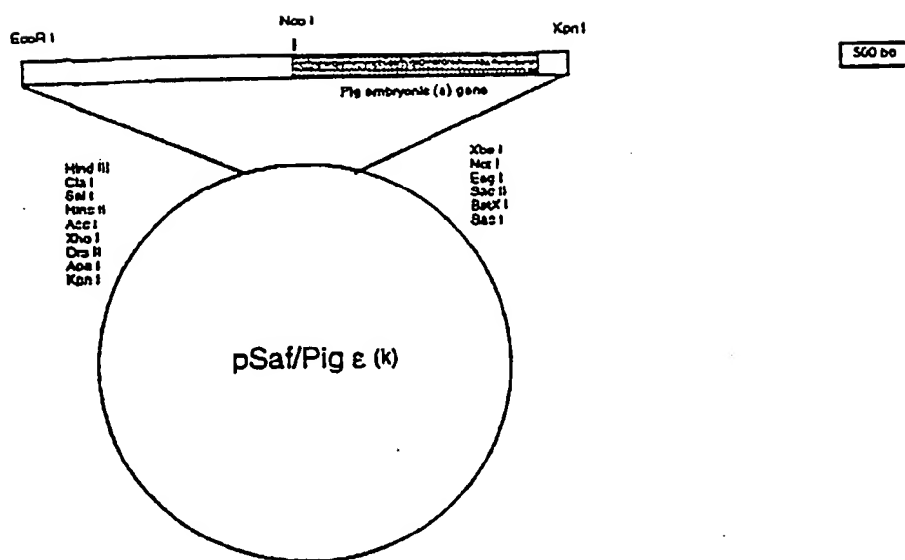


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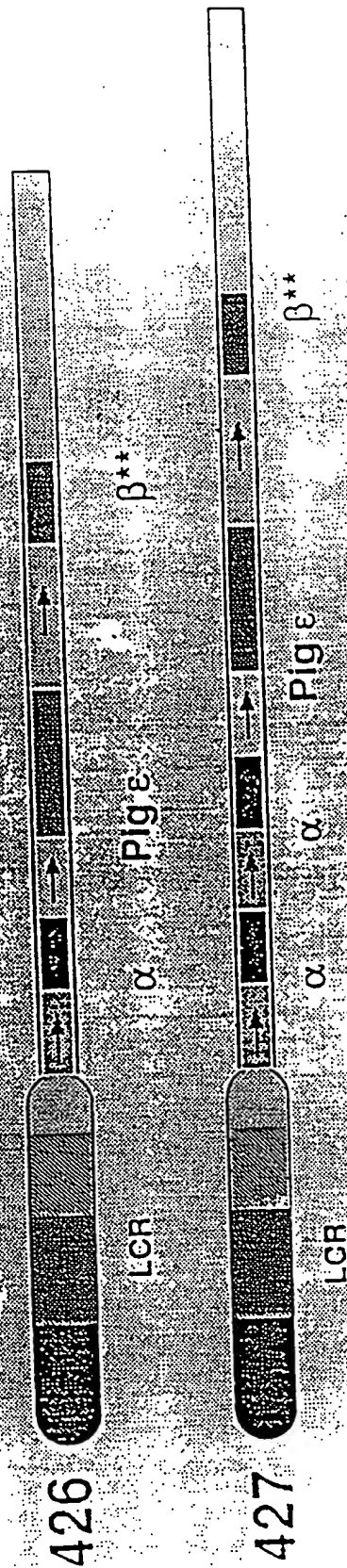


Figure 14.

β** = Pig promoter - Human β gene - Pig 3' end

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High Level Expression of Hemoglobin (Transgenic Pig)

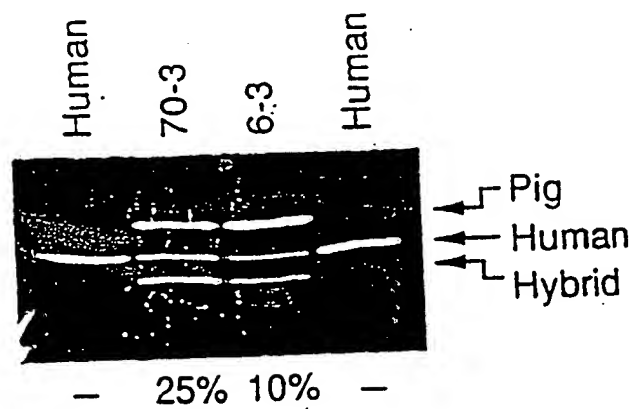


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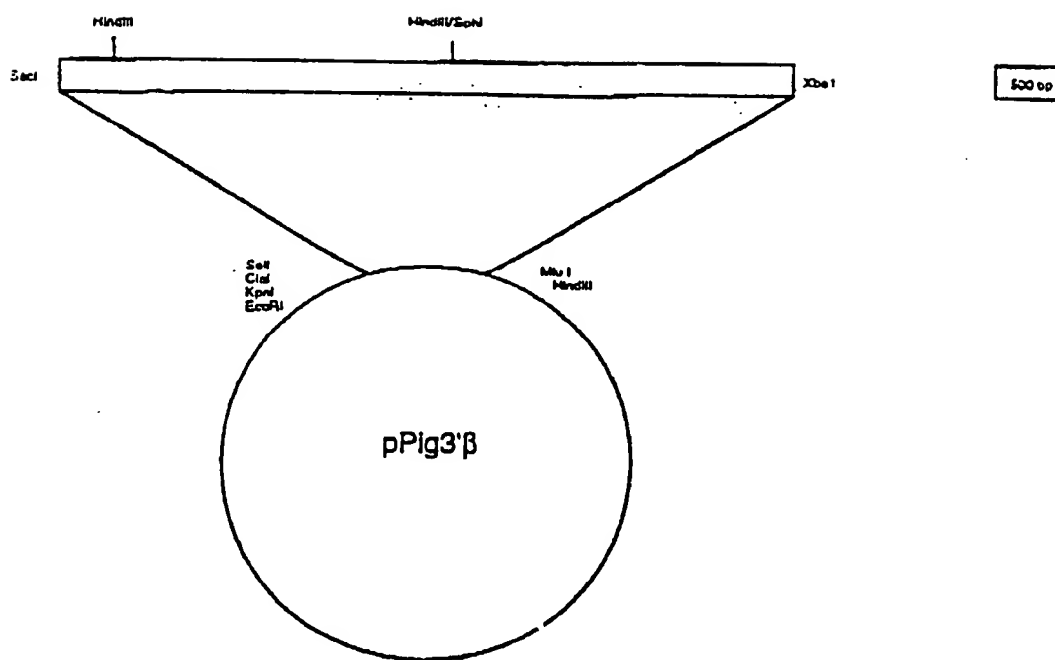


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FIGURE 17

Transgenic pigs obtained from construct 339

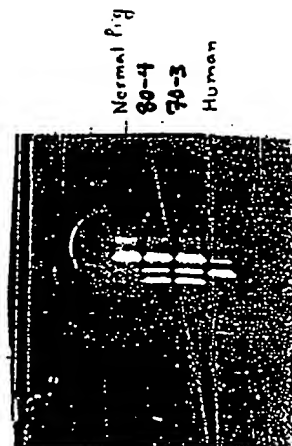
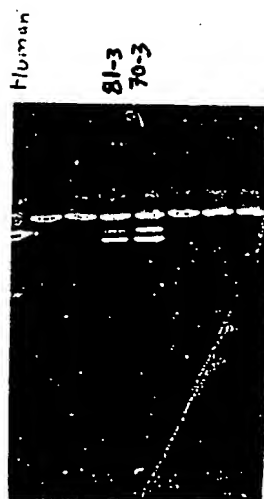
Animal (Sex)	% Authentic Human Hb Expression	Copy #
70-3 (F)	23	3
80-4 (F)	18	3-4
81-3 (F)	5	n.d.

Hb: Hemoglobin

n.d: not determined

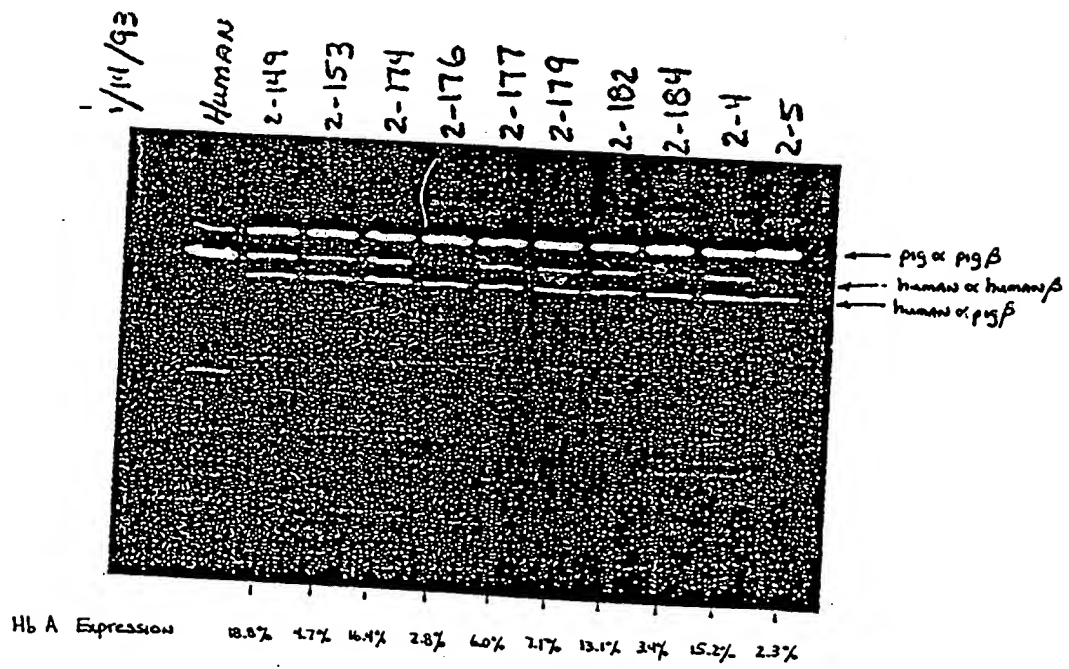
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FIGURE 18



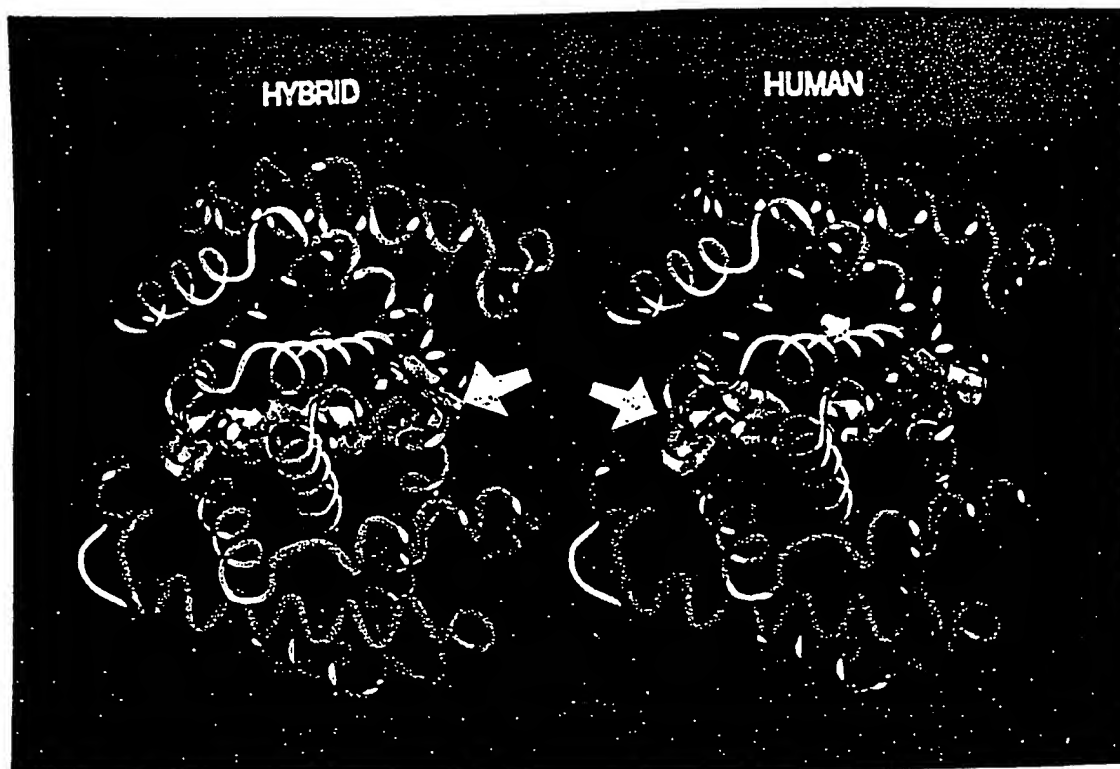
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FIGURE 19



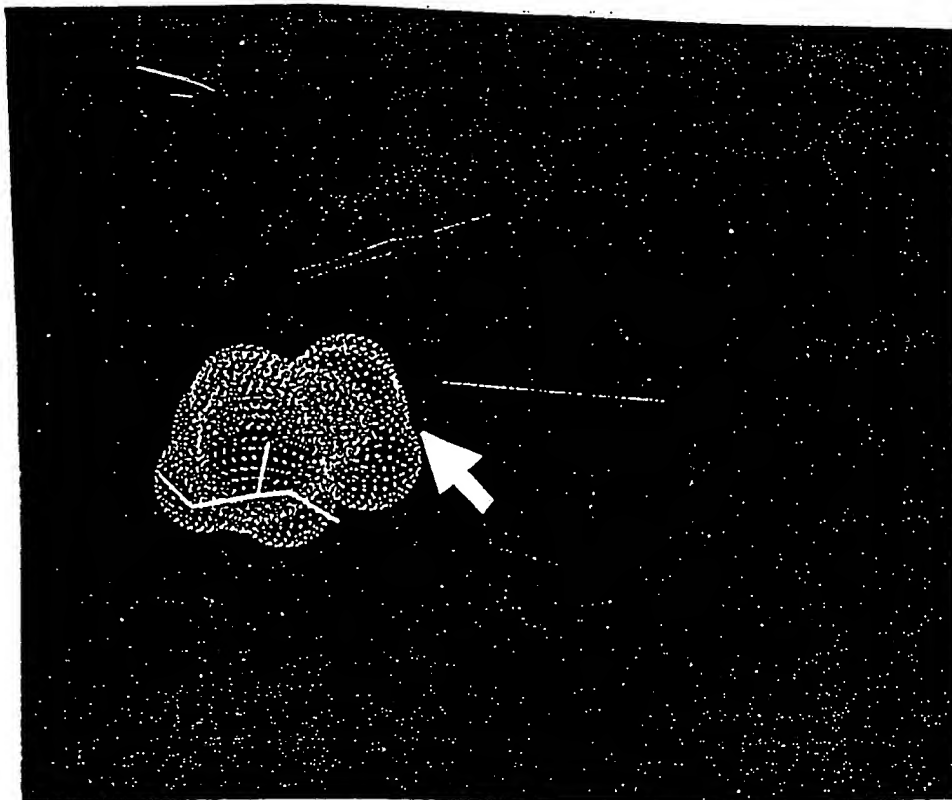
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FIGURE 20



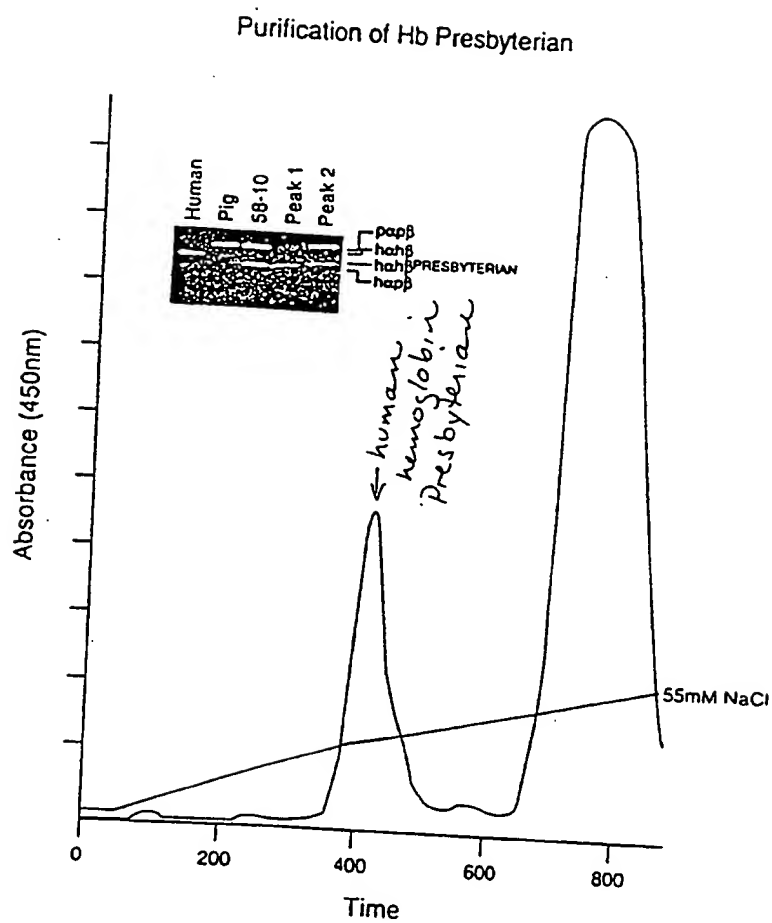
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FIGURE 21



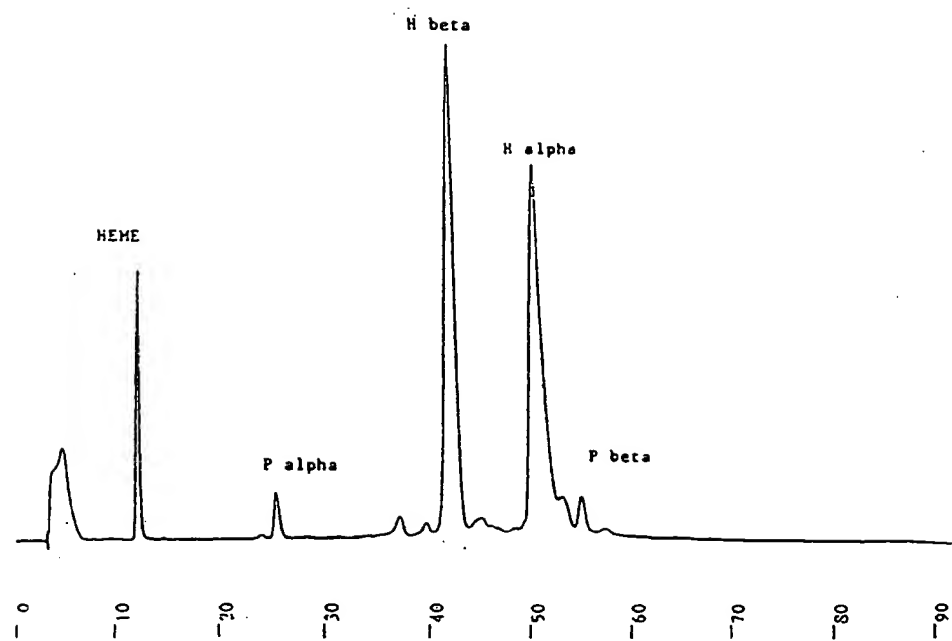
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FIGURE 22



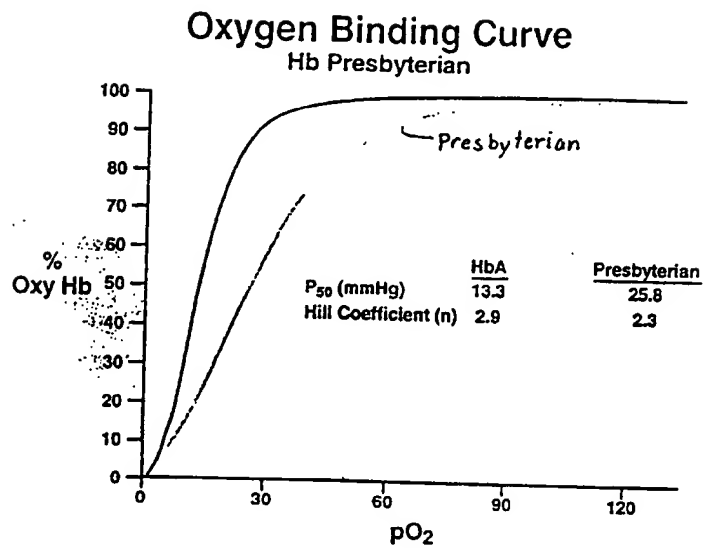
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FIGURE 23



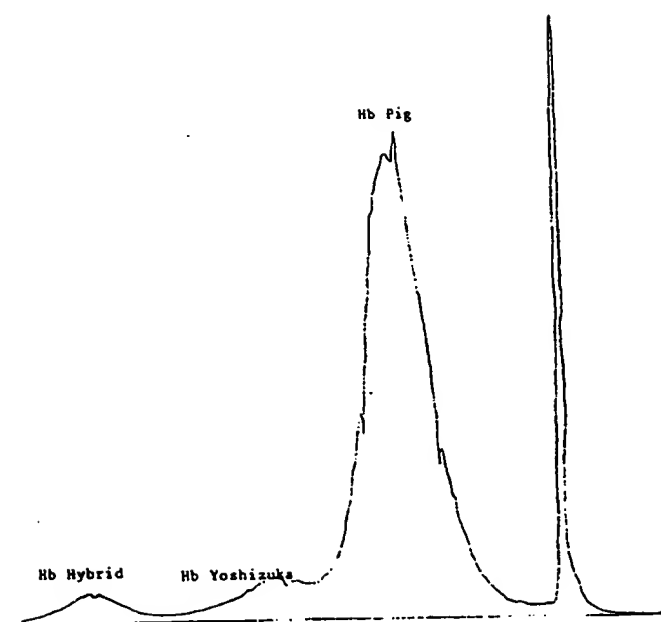
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FIGURE 26 A

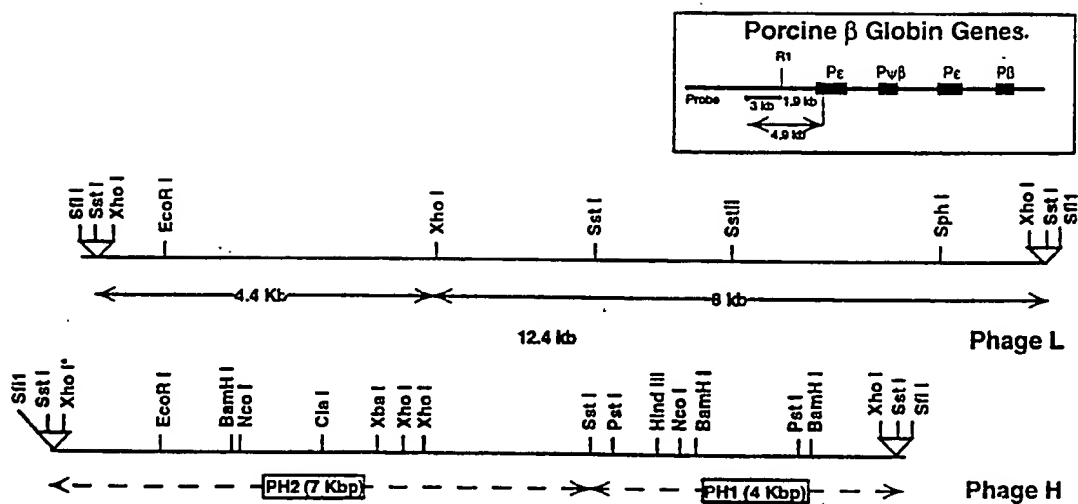
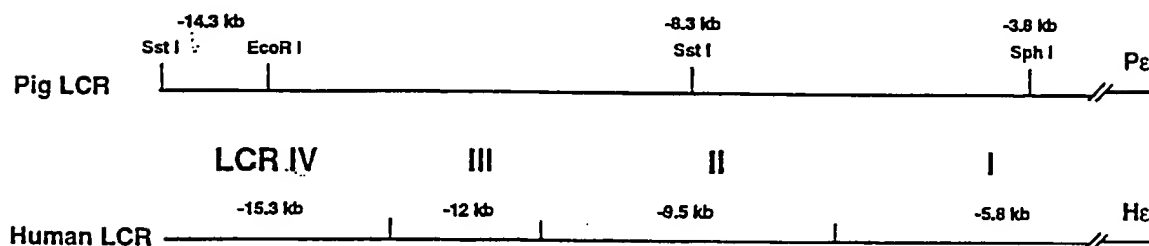
Porcine β LCR Clones

FIGURE 26 B



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FIGURE 27A

PH1-TA1

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10      20      30      40      50      60      70      80      90      100
AAAAATAAAG GCAGACAGTC TAAATAGAA AACCAAGTGG ATNGTNGTTT ATTAATTTGT GCTCATAACT TGAATACTCA TGTCTTTGTG CACAATTATT

110     120     130     140     150     160     170     180     190     200
CTTTCCTTGT ATTGATTAGG TCAAAGTAGA GGAAACCAAC TGTGTCAAAG CAGGAGCTGG ATGCAATCTT GGCAATAAGA ATCTTGCCAG TAGGGTCACG

210     220     230     240     250     260     270     280     290     300
TATGGCTTTT TCCTCCATCT TCAAGGGAAG GAGAGTTTGG GCCAGGACAT AAATGTTACA TGAGGTTCAA AACGTCTCTG GACTGTAAGC CAGGGGAGCA

310     320     330     340     350     360     370     380     390     400
ACCTTCCTTT CCACATACTT TCCTNGCTCG GCTAACTCCC CAATGATAAA CATGCTTCTC TTTATACAAT AGACATTCCA CATGTTATAG TTAAGAGCTT

410     420     430     440     450     460     470
CCAGCCTGGG AGTCATTCTG TATCTTTCAG GTGACTTTGA GACACTTTTC CTATCAGTTA ATTTACTTTT GATCCTC

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FIGURE 27B

PH1-TA1

Human beta globin region on chromosome 11; 1 - 60000

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47      GTTTATTA ATTTGTGCTCATAACTTGAATACTCATGTCTTTGTGCACAATTATTCCTTTC
12499    GTTTTTTACACTGGAATTTATACTAGAGCACTCATGTTTATGTAAGCATTAAATGTTT
          * * * * *
106     CTTGTATTGATTAGGTCAAAGTAGAGGAACCAACTGTGTCAAAGCAGG AGCTGGATGC
12559    CATC A G TCAGGTAAAGTAAAG AAA AACTGTGCCAAGGCAGGTAGCCTAATGC
          * * * * *
165     AATCTTGGCAATAA G AATC TTGC CAGTAGG GTCACGTATGGCTTTTCTCCATC
12612    AATAT GCCACTAAAGTAAACATTATCCATAGGTGTCAGATATGGCTTATTTCATCCATC
          * * * * *
220     TTCAAGGGAAGGAGAGTTTTGGCCAGGACATAAATGTTACATGAGGTTCAAAACGTCTCT
12671    TTCATGGGAAGGATGGCCTTGGCCTGGACATCAGTGTTATGTGAGGTTCAAAACACCTCT
          * * * * *
280     GGAAGTAAAGCAGGGGAGCAACCTTCCTTTCCA CA TACTTTCCTNGCTCGGCTAACT
12731    AGGCTATAAGGCAACAGAGCTCCTTTTTTTTTTCTGTGCTTCTCTGGCT GTCCAAAT
          * * * * *
338     CCCCATGATAAACATGCTTCTCTTTATACAATAGACATTCCACATG TTATAGTTAAGA
12790    CTCTAATGATAAGCATATCTTATCA ATGAGA ATATTCTGTAAGATTATAGTTAAGA
          * * * * *
397     GCTTCCAGCCTGGGAGTCATTCTGTATCTTTTCAAGGTGACTTTGAGACACTTTTCTATCA
12848    A TT G TGGGAGCCATTCCGTCCTTATAGTTAAATTTGAGCTTCTTTATGATCA
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Matches = 290

Length = 420

Matches/length = 69.0 percent

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FIGURE 28

Joined p1cr2

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10      20      30      40      50      60      70      80      90     100
CATCTCAGT ATATAGGCAC CTAAAAAGTT GAATACATAG AGCTGCGAGT AGACGCTGCC TGCAGGGATG GCGAAAGTGG GAGAAACCAAC TCAGATCTGG

110     120     130     140     150     160     170     180     190     200
GTCAAGGCGCA CAGCTCTTCA KKHATCTTTC AGTGACGTGA AGACGTGGAG GTCTAATGCC TTACGGACTG TAGTAATGAC GCAGCACCGCA AGCCTNGEAC

210     220     230     240     250     260     270     280     290     300
ATGTGCTAAG ATTTCCGGTG TTCTCATCAC ACCDCCAAAG TGGCAACTGT GAGCAAGAC AGTTAAGTAA CCTGACTGAG GAGCGGTTTC CCGTGTCTCG

310     320     330     340     350     360     370     380     390     400
TGTCTATACAC CTGGCATTAC ACCTCGCATT ACACGAGTTG CATCAAAAAA GAAAGTATTC AAAATAGCTA TATTTCTAAT CATCCTTTGG AGTTEAGATG

410     420     430     440     450     460     470     480     490     500
TGAGGCGAAG AGTTACATGT ACATGCTTGA CATTGAACT CGAATAATA TTTAGGAGAG ATGTATGATT TCTCTATGCC TTACACAAAT AAATAAAAT

510     520     530     540     550     560     570     580     590     600
AATTCATG ATTTACCTTA TGAGTGGCC TCGAAGCTA CCGTGGCTCG TCTCAGGCTG TCATCCCTTG TAGGCTGTTT TCGCGCGCGG GCGTTAAGGC

610     620     630     640     650     660     670     680     690     700
AGGTGAGGCA CAGGTATATC CTTCCTTAT GGAATAATCA CTGGCTCTTT CAAGGCGCAG TTTATTGTTT CTTTGGTTCC ATGAGACTTT TCGTAGCTCA

710     720     730     740     750     760     770     780     790     800
CTCCCTCCCT AAAAGGAACC CAGACTGAGG GTGGTATTTC CCTCCATAT ATTTCTCTTT TAAGTGTGCA AAAGGTATTC TAATAGTACA TATAATTATC

810     820     830     840     850     860     870     880     890     900
CACTGGTTTG TTGTTGTTGT TCTTTTGG GCGTAAGTGC AGCATATGAA CCGTCTCGG CAGGGGACAG AATCCAAAGC AGAGCTGGCC CCGTCCCGGAG

910     920     930     940     950     960     970     980     990
AGCTACGGCA GTGCTGGATT CTTAACCCCT GTGCTGGGCC CCGATGTGAA CCGGCAAGCC TACAGAGACT GAGCGGATC GTTAACCCCT CCACTGGC
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FIGURE 29

joined plcr2
Human beta globin region on chromosome 11; 1 - 60000

349 AAGAAAGTATTCAAATAGCTATATTCTAATCATCCTTTGGAGTTGAGATGTGAGCCGA
7276 AAGAAATACCTCCGAATAACTGTACCTCCAATTATTCTTTAAGGTAGC ATGCAACTGTA

409 AGAGTTACATGTACATGCTTGACATTGAACTCGA A ATAATATTTAGGGAGCATGTAT
7335 ATAGTTGCATGTATATATTTATCATAATACTGTAACAGAAAACACTTACTGAATATATAC
* * * * *

467 GATTTCTCTATCCCTTTACACAATAAACTAAAATAATTCTCATGATT 513
7395 TGTGTCCTAGTTCTTTACACAATAAACTAATCTCATCCTCATAATT 7441
* * * * *

Matches = 104 Length = 167 Matches/length = 62.3 percent

544 GGCTCTGTCTCACGGTGTCA TCGTTGTAGCCGTTC TGCCCGCCGGCCTTAAGGCA
7784 GACTAAGTCACTCTGTCTCACGTGTCTTAGCCAGTTCCTTACAGCTTGCCCTGATGGGA
* * * * *

602 GGTGGAGGACAGGTATATCCTTGCCATTATGGAATACTCACTG CGTCTTTCAAGGCCAG
7844 GATAGAGAATGGGTAT CCTC CAACAAA AAAATAAATTTTCATTCTCAAGGTCCAA
* * * * *

661 TTTATGTTCTCTTTGGTTCCATGAGACTTTTGGTAGCTCACTCCCTAAAGGAACC
7900 CTTATGTTTCTTAATTTTAAAAAATCTTGACCATTCTC CACTCTCTAAATAATCC
* * * * *

721 CAGACTGAGGGTGGTA TTT CCC TCCCATATATTCTCTTTAAGTGTGGAAAA 773
7959 ACAGTGAGAGAAACATTCTTTCCCCATCCCATAAATACCTCTATTAAATATGAAAA 8017
* * * * *

Matches = 144 Length = 239 Matches/length = 60.3 percent

529 CCTCCAAGGCTACGTGGCTCTGTCTCACGGTGTG 562
7777 CCTCTAAGACTAAGTCACTCTGTCTCACTGTGTG 7810
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Matches = 28 Length = 34 Matches/length = 82.4 percent

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FIGURE 30A

PH2-T7

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      10      20      30      40      50      60      70      80      90      100
CCCCAAGTCC TGGTCGAGGG CCTGTCCATG GCGATTAAAT CACCCCAAGA AAGTCCCGT CCTTCTCTGC GCTTCAGCCC CCTTCTCTGT AAAGGGECTG

     110     120     130     140     150     160     170     180     190     200
CAAAGGGCCC TGTCCGCGCG GAGAATTCTT CCTGCTGAAA CACACAGGCT CCCTCAGCTC AACCGGGACT GTCGCTACAT CTATCACTTC TTCGCTGCA

     210     220     230     240     250     260     270     280
CGACATCTGG GGTCTCTCAT CAGGGAGGGC CTTCTCTTCT AAACCAAGCC CACCGGGCCC TGGGAGCGTG GGAGCAGAGA GG

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FIGURE 30B

PH2-T7

Human beta globin region on chromosome 11;

1 - 60000

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40      TCACCCCAAGAAAGTCCCCGTCCTTCTCTGCGCTTCAG      77
1450    TCATACTGAGAAAGTCCCCACCCTTCTCTGAGCCTCAG      1487
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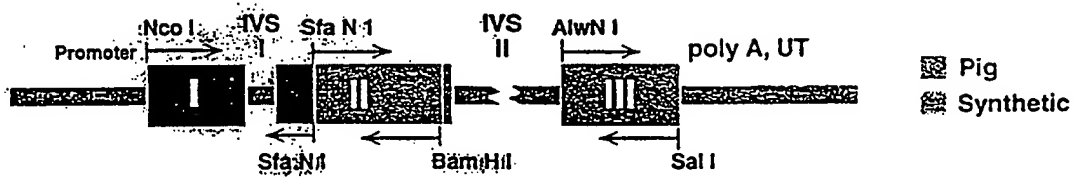
Matches = 30

Length = 38

Matches/length = 78.9 percent

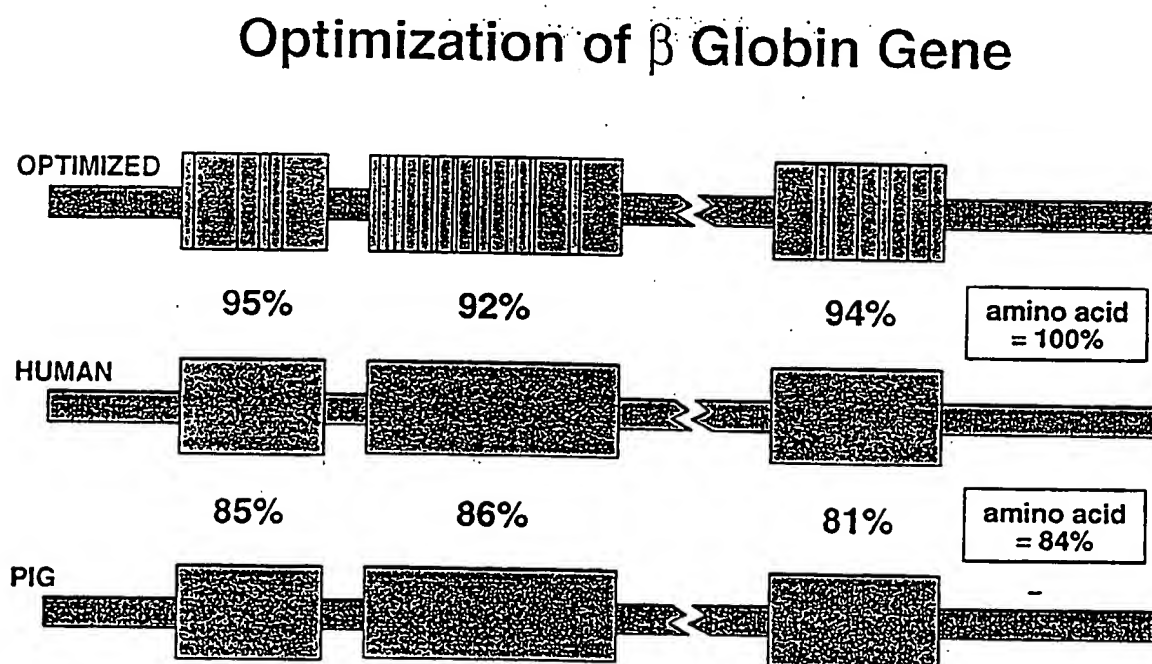
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FIGURE 31

Assembly of Optimization of β Globin Gene

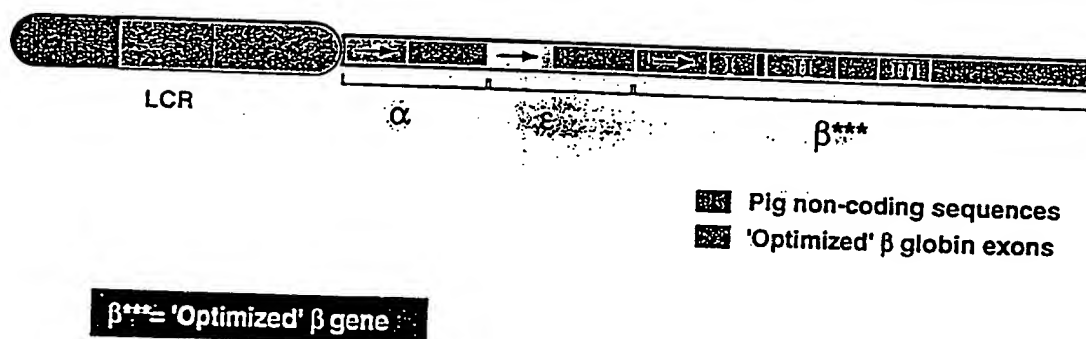
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FIGURE 32



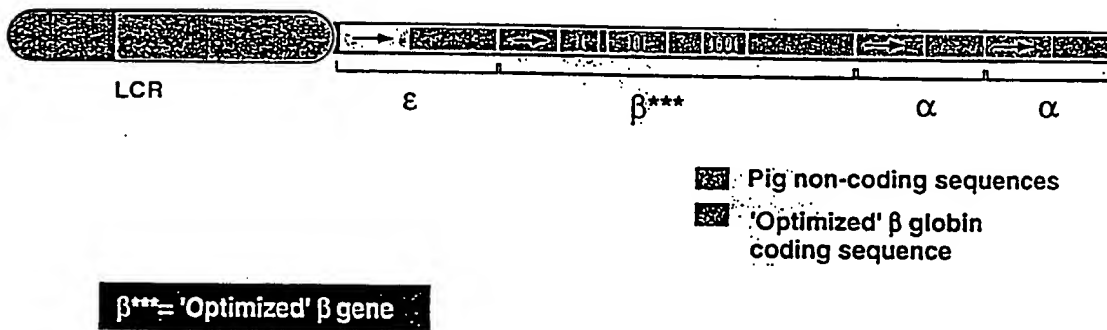
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FIGURE 33

Construct 505
(~20.Kb)

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FIGURE 34

Construct 515
(~23 Kb)

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FIGURE 35

 β -EXON 1

HUMAN	ATG	GTG	CAC	CTG	ACT	CCT	GAG	GAG	AAG	
PIG	ATG	GTG	<u>CAt</u>	CTG	<u>tCT</u>	<u>gCT</u>	GAG	GAG	AAG	
	TCT	GCC	GTT	ACT	GCC	CTG	TGG	GGC	AAG	
	<u>gag</u>	GCC	<u>GTc</u>	<u>ctc</u>	<u>GcC</u>	CTG	TGG	GGC	<u>AAa</u>	
	AAC	GTG	GAT	GAA	GTT	GGT	GAG	GCC	CTG	
	<u>AAc</u>	GTG	<u>GAc</u>	<u>GAA</u>	GTT	GGT	GAG	GCC	CTG	
	GGC	AG--G...								
	GGC	AG--G...								

 β -EXON 2

HUMAN	CTG	CTG	GTG	GTC	TAC	CCT	TGG	ACC	CAG
PIG	CTG	CTG	<u>GtC</u>	GTC	TAC	<u>CCc</u>	TGG	<u>ACc</u>	CAG
	AGG	TTC	TTT	GAG	TCC	TTT	GGG	GAT	CTG
	<u>AGG</u>	TTC	<u>TTc</u>	GAG	TCC	TTT	GGG	<u>GAc</u>	CTG
	ACT	CCT	GAT	GCT	GTT	ATG	GGC	AAC	CCT
	<u>AAc</u>	<u>CCc</u>	GAT	<u>GCC</u>	<u>GTc</u>	ATG	GGC	<u>AAc</u>	<u>CCc</u>
	GTG	AAG	GCT	CAT	GGC	AAG	AAA	GTG	CTC
	<u>GTG</u>	AAG	<u>GCC</u>	<u>CAC</u>	GGC	AAG	<u>AAg</u>	GTG	CTC
	GCC	TTT	AGT	GAT	GGC	CTG	GCT	CAC	CTG
	<u>CCc</u>	<u>TTc</u>	AGT	<u>GAc</u>	GGC	CTG	<u>AAc</u>	<u>CAC</u>	CTG
	AAC	CTC	AAG	GGC	ACC	TTT	GCC	ACA	CTG
	<u>AAc</u>	CTC	AAG	GGC	ACC	TTT	<u>GCC</u>	<u>AAg</u>	CTG
	GAG	CTG	CAC	TGT	GAC	AAG	CTG	CAC	GTG
	<u>GAG</u>	<u>TCg</u>	CAC	TGT	GAC	<u>CAg</u>	CTG	CAC	GTG
	CCT	GAG	AAC	TTC	AG--G...				
	CCT	GAG	AAC	TTC	AG--G...				

 β -EXON 3

HUMAN	CTC	CTG	GGC	AAC	GTG	CTG	GTC	TGT	GTG
PIG	CTC	CTG	GGC	AAC	GTG	<u>ATa</u>	<u>GTc</u>	<u>GTc</u>	<u>GTc</u>
	CTG	GCC	CAT	CAC	TTT	GGC	AAA	GAA	TTC
	<u>CTG</u>	<u>GCC</u>	<u>Cgc</u>	<u>Cgc</u>	<u>CTT</u>	GGC	<u>CAt</u>	GAG	TTC
	CCA	CCA	GTG	CAG	GCT	GCC	TAT	CAG	AAA
	<u>CCg</u>	<u>AAc</u>	GTG	CAG	GCT	<u>GCC</u>	<u>TTc</u>	CAG	<u>AAg</u>
	GTG	GCT	GGT	GTG	GCT	AAT	GCC	CTG	GCC
	<u>GTG</u>	GCT	GGT	<u>GTc</u>	GCT	AAT	GCC	CTG	GCC
	AAG	TAT	CAC	TAA					
	<u>AAG</u>	<u>TAc</u>	CAC	TAA					

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FIGURE 3b

 β -EXON 1

HUMAN	ATG	GTG	CAC	CTG	ACT	CCT	GAG	GAG	AAG
OPTIMIZED	ATG	GTG	CAC	CTG	ACT	CCT	GAG	GAG	AAG
	TCT	GCC	GTT	ACT	GCC	CTG	TGG	GGC	AAG
	TCT	GCC	GTG	ACT	GCC	CTG	TGG	GGC	AAg
	AAC	GTG	GAT	GAA	GTT	GGT	GAG	GCC	CTG
	AAI	GTG	GAC	GAA	GTT	GGT	GAG	GCC	CTG
	GGC	AG--G...							
	GGC	AG--G...							

 β -EXON 2

HUMAN	CTG	CTG	GTG	GTC	TAC	CCT	TGG	ACC	CAG
OPTIMIZED	CTG	CTG	GTG	GTC	TAC	CCG	TGG	ACI	CAG
	AGG	TTC	TTT	GAG	TCC	TTT	GGG	GAT	CTG
	AGG	TTC	TTC	GAG	TCC	TTT	GGG	GAC	CTG
	ACT	CCT	GAT	GCT	GTT	ATG	GGC	AAC	CCT
	ACT	CCT	GAT	GCC	GTG	ATG	GGC	AAI	CCC
	GTG	AAG	GCT	CAT	GGC	AAG	AAA	GTG	CTC
	GTG	AAG	GCC	CAC	GGC	AAG	AAg	GTG	CTC
	GCC	TTT	AGT	GAT	GGC	CTG	GCT	CAC	CTG
	GCC	TTG	AGT	GAG	GGC	CTG	GCT	CAT	CTG
	AAC	CTC	AAG	GGC	ACC	TTT	GCC	ACA	CTG
	AAC	CTC	AAG	GGC	ACC	TTT	GCT	ACA	CTG
	GAG	CTG	CAC	TGT	GAC	AAG	CTG	CAC	GTG
	GAG	CTG	CAC	TGT	GAC	AAG	CTG	CAC	GTG
	CCT	GAG	AAC	TTC	AG--G...				
	CCT	GAG	AAC	TTC	AG--G...				

 β -EXON 3

HUMAN	CTC	CTG	GGC	AAC	GTG	CTG	GTC	TGT	GTG
OPTIMIZED	CTC	CTG	GGC	AAC	GTG	CTG	GTG	TGT	GTI
	CTG	GCC	CAT	CAC	TTT	GGC	AAA	GAA	TTC
	CTG	GCT	CAT	CAC	TTT	GGC	AAA	GAA	TTC
	CCA	CCA	GTG	CAG	GCT	GCC	TAT	CAG	AAA
	CCG	CCG	GTG	CAG	GCT	GCT	TAT	CAG	AAg
	GTG	GCT	GGT	GTG	GCT	AAT	GCC	CTG	GCC
	GTG	GCT	GGT	GTG	GCT	AAT	GCC	CTG	GCC
	AAG	TAT	CAC	TAA					
	AAG	TAC	CAC	TAA					

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FIGURE 37

 β -EXON 1

<i>OPTIMIZED</i>	ATG	GTG	CAT	CTG	ACT	CCT	GAG	GAG	AAG
<i>PIG</i>	ATG	GTG	CAT	CTG	ACT	GCT	GAG	GAG	AAG
	TCT	GCC	GTC	ACT	GCC	CTG	TGG	GGC	AAA
	GAG	GCC	GTC	CTC	GAC	CTG	TGG	GGC	AAA
	AAT	GTG	GAC	GAA	GTT	GGT	GAG	GCC	CTG
	AAT	GTG	GAC	GAA	GTT	GGT	GAG	GCC	CTG
	GGC	AG--G...							
	GGC	AG--G...							

 β -EXON 2

<i>OPTIMIZED</i>	CTG	CTG	GTT	GTC	TAC	CCC	TGG	ACT	CAG
<i>PIG</i>	CTG	CTG	GTT	GTC	TAC	CCC	TGG	ACT	CAG
	AGG	TTC	TTC	GAG	TCC	TTT	GGG	GAC	TCC
	AGG	TTC	TTC	GAG	TCC	TTT	GGG	GAC	TCC
	ACT	CCT	GAT	GCC	GTC	ATG	GGC	AAT	CCC
	AAT	GCC	GAT	GCC	GTC	ATG	GGC	AAT	CCC
	GTG	AAG	GCC	CAC	GGC	AAG	AAG	GTG	CTC
	GTG	AAG	GCC	CAC	GGC	AAG	AAG	GTG	CTC
	GCC	TTC	AGT	GAC	GGC	CTG	GCT	CAT	CTC
	ACC	TTC	AGT	GAC	GGC	CTG	AAA	CAT	CTC
	AAC	CTC	AAG	GGC	ACC	TTT	GCT	ACA	CTG
	AAC	CTC	AAG	GGC	ACC	TTT	GCT	AAA	CTG
	GAG	CTG	CAC	TGT	GAC	AAG	CTG	CAC	GTG
	GAG	TGG	CAC	TGT	GAC	AAA	CTG	CAC	GTG
	CCT	GAG	AAC	TTC	AG--G...				
	CCT	GAG	AAC	TTC	AG--G...				

 β -EXON 3

<i>OPTIMIZED</i>	CTC	CTG	GGC	AAC	GTG	CTG	GTG	TGT	GTT
<i>PIG</i>	CTC	CTG	GGC	AAC	GTG	ATA	GTG	GLT	GTT
	CTG	GCT	CAT	CAC	TTT	GGC	AAA	GAA	TTC
	CTG	GCT	CAG	CAC	TTT	GGC	CAT	GAC	TTC
	CCG	CCG	GTG	CAG	GCT	GCT	TAT	CAG	AAG
	CCG	BAI	GTG	CAG	GCT	GCT	TLT	CAG	AAG
	GTG	GCT	GGT	GTT	GCT	AAT	GCC	CTG	GCC
	GTG	GCT	GGT	GTT	GCT	AAT	GCC	CTG	GCC
	AAG	TAC	CAC	TAA					
	AAG	TAC	CAC	TAA					

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FIGURE 38

Sequence Range: 1 to 453

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      10      20      30      40      50      60
      *      *      *      *      *      *
-CCATGGTGCATCTGACTCCTGAGGAGAAGTCTGCCGTCACTGCCCTGTGGGGCAAAGTG
X M V H L T P E E K S A V T A L W G K V>

      70      80      90     100     110     120
      *      *      *      *      *      *
AATGTGGACGAAGTTGGTGGTGAGGCCCTGGGCAGG---CTGCTGGTTGTCTACCCCTGG
N V D E V G G E A L G R - L L V V Y P W>

     130     140     150     160     170     180
      *      *      *      *      *      *
ACTCAGAGGTTCCTCGAGTCTTTGGGGACCTGTCCACTCCTGATGCCGTCATGGGCAAT
T Q R F F E S F G D L S T P D A V M G N>

     190     200     210     220     230     240
      *      *      *      *      *      *
CCCAAGGTGAAGGCCCAAGCAAGAAGGTGCTCGGTGCTTCAGTGACGGGCTGGCTCAT
P K V K A H G K K V L G A F S D G L A H>

     250     260     270     280     290     300
      *      *      *      *      *      *
CTCGACAACTCAAGGGCACTTTGCTACACTGAGGAGCTGCACTGTGACAAGCTGCAC
L D N L K G T F A T L S E L H C D K L H>

     310     320     330     340     350     360
      *      *      *      *      *      *
GTGGATCTGAGAACTTCAGG---CTCCTGGGCAACGTGCTGGTGTGTGTCTGGCTCAT
V D P E N F R - L L G N V L V C V L A H>

     370     380     390     400     410     420
      *      *      *      *      *      *
CACTTTGGCAAAGAATTCACCCCGCGGTGCAGGCTGCTTATCAGAAGGTGGTGGCTGGT
H F G K E F T P P V Q A A Y Q K V V A G>

     430     440     450
      *      *      *
GTTCCTAATGCCCTGGGCCAAGTACCACTAA
V A N A L A H K Y H *>

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FIGURE 39

Sequence Range: 1 to 150

	10	20	30	40	50	60
HUMAN beta	MVHLTPEEKSAVTALWGKVN	DEVGGEALGR-LLV	VYPWTQ	RFESFGDLSTP	DAVMGNP	
OPTIMIZED	MVHLTPEEKSAVTALWGKVN	DEVGGEALGR-LLV	VYPWTQ	RFESFGDLSTP	DAVMGNP	
[731]	~~~~~					

	70	80	90	100	110	120
HUMAN beta	KVKAHGKKVLGAFSDGLAHL	DLNLTGTFATLSELHCDKL	HVDPENFR-LLGNV	LVCVLAHH		
OPTIMIZED	KVKAHGKKVLGAFSDGLAHL	DLNLTGTFATLSELHCDKL	HVDPENFR-LLGNV	LVCVLAHH		
[731]	~~~~~					

	130	140	150
HUMAN beta	FGKEFTPPVQAAYQKVVAG	VANALAHKYH*	
OPTIMIZED	FGKEFTPPVQAAYQKVVAG	VANALAHKYH	
[731]	~~~~~		

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